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REVOLT IN SHENSI Arrangements Offered By Rebel Forces

WITHDRAWAL OF COMMUNISTS: MILITARY CONTROL

Shanghai, Jan. 27.
It is understood that arrangements have been offered by the rebels through General Mi Chan Lin to provide for military control in Shensi on the following lines. Firstly, the Lungai railway and two main Shensi highways from Tungkwang to Kansu as well as Sianfu itself be garrisoned by Government troops; secondly, Gen. Yang Hu Chen's forces be withdrawn north of the Wei river; thirdly Marshal Chang Hsueh Liang's former army be transferred to Kansu; and fourthly, withdrawal of Communists. —Reuter.

PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT SOUGHT

Nanking, Jan. 27.
Sensing the odds against him, General Yang Hu-cheng, rebellious Pacification Commissioner of Shensi, was reported to-day to have approached General Yen Hsi-shan, Pacification Commissioner of Shansi and Suiyuan, to effect a peaceful settlement with the Central authorities.

It was revealed here to-day that General Chiang Kai-shek, Chairman of the Military Affairs Commission, had sent two letters to Yang urging him to obey the National Government and to part company with the Reds. The two letters were worded in friendly and advisory tone, it is said.

Yang has to submit before noon on January 28, otherwise the Government forces enveloping Shensi will launch a punitive drive against the Reds and rebels. All preparations for a general offensive have been completed by the Government forces.

It was stated in local official news reports here that General Yu Hsueh-chung, Chairman of the Kansu Provincial Government, is not co-operating heartily with Yang Hu-cheng apart from Nanking official versions, the real attitude of the two rebellious generals is not known. —Union News

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LAUNCHING CEREMONY LAST NIGHT Yacht For Trip Round World

(BY E. J. M.)

"We're not doing it with champagne, but in the proper Chinese fashion—with firecrackers!" A few minutes after this was said, Mr. T. F. Kilkenny gave the signal and the So Fong gracefully took to the water. Firecrackers banged and whizzed the instant the 55-ton yacht was being launched.

This launching of the So Fong, which took place at the Ah King Slipway, Causeway Bay, yesterday evening, is a prelude to a round-the-world trip by an intrepid group of adventurers.

The So Fong, a two-masted schooner, has an overall length of 72 feet and was especially designed for its owner, Mr. A. T. Baker, by Olin Stephens, the man was designed Vanderbilt's latest defender for the America Cup.

The yacht will begin its journey from Hong Kong in about three weeks time and the crew will comprise Mr. Baker and his two sons, A. T. (3rd), and Robert, Messrs. T. F. Kilkenny, Michael Pleuma, A. Ozolins, Dr. L. K. Collins and Baron Frederick von Furstenberg.

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HONG KONG TRADE RETURNS Merchandise Imports Increase

The Imports and Exports Department (statistical branch) reports that the combined values of the Colony's imports and exports of merchandise (excluding treasure) during the year 1936, amounted to \$803.3 millions (£50.8 millions sterling), as compared with \$636.0 millions (£41.4 millions) in 1935, and \$741.0 millions (£56.5 millions) in 1934.

In terms of local currency the total visible trade of the Colony increased by 28.8 per cent. in 1936 as compared with 1935, and by 8.4 per cent. as compared with 1934, but these values converted into sterling currency show a decline of 17.8 per cent. in 1936 as compared with 1935, and a decline of 10.4 per cent. as compared with 1934. (It should be noted that the average T.T. rate of exchange for sterling was 1s. 3.3/16 in 1936, 1s. 11.5/16 in 1935, and 1s. 6.3/16d. in 1934.)

Imports of merchandise totalled \$452.4 (£28.5) millions in 1936 as compared with \$385.0 (£25.3) millions in 1935 and \$415.9 (£26.7) millions in 1934; whilst exports totalled \$350.9 (£22.1) millions in 1936 as compared with \$271.0 (£17.2) millions in 1935 and \$325.1 (£20.3) millions in 1934.

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CORONATION PROGRAMME His Majesty Approves Plans

The following programme was issued by the Colonial Secretariat yesterday:

We are authorised by the Earl Marshal to state that the following arrangements for the Coronation celebrations have been approved by the King. (At the request of the Lord Chamberlain the Earl Marshal has included the dates approved by His Majesty for Courts, Levées and Investitures.)

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Queen Mary's Praise

Message To
Country Women

A message from Queen Mary to the Country Women's Organisation of the Dominions was read by Mrs. Alfred Watt, president of the Associated Country Women of the World at a reception given in her honour at Sydney by the Country Women's Association of New South Wales. The Country Women's Organisation is made up of women's institutes in the various Dominions.

IMPROVING CONDITIONS
Queen Mary's message was as follows:

"I would like to take this opportunity of sending to one and all a word of greeting and congratulation in the good work they have done. I take a great interest in the movement, not only in Great Britain but throughout the Empire. I am well aware how much the institutes have already done towards improving conditions for women in rural areas. They have made for better conditions, happier homes, and good neighbourliness."

"I hope that this great Empire of unity and good will will be extended to the country women of all lands, for everywhere country women are organised they work for the benefit of all along the path of true progress."

"I would like to add that I am much interested in the Women's Institute at Sandringham, and I attend the afternoons as often as I can. It makes a nice place of meeting for everybody."

"The Women's Institute movement should prove a just and admirable link between all parts and people, and I hope ultimately between all peoples of the world.—(signed) M. R."

SOVIET "JUSTICE" Radek's Mother Makes Plea For Clemency

REFUSAL TO FORWARD PETITION

Warsaw, January 27.
The mother of the well-known Soviet Russian journalist Radek, now on trial in Moscow for high treason handed in at the Soviet Russian Embassy here a petition making a moving appeal for clemency on behalf of her son. The Russian Embassy, however, refused emphatically to forward the petition to Moscow. —Transocean News Service.

FUNERAL SERVICE ABOARD "POTSDAM"

Sailor's Remains
For Germany

The body of the late Mr. Wilhelm Rex, a German sailor of the N.D.L. liner Potsdam, who succumbed to his injuries following an accident in the hold of the vessel on Tuesday, January 12, will be taken aboard the Potsdam when she arrives at Hong Kong to-day. A special service will be held in the ship's chapel. The body is being shipped to the deceased's family in Germany.

The fatal accident occurred when the Potsdam arrived here from Europe on January 12, when during the working of the cargo,

H.M.S. LOWESTOFF LEAVES

The Naval authorities yesterday stated that H.M.S. Lowestoff left in the afternoon for a cruise to Singapore but that it was not known how long she will be away. The submarines, Orpheus and Rover are due back from Manila to-day, while the Japanese gunboat, Saga, is also due here for the week-end from Canton.

a sling of goods swung round in the hold and the sailor was knocked over. He was rushed to the Kowloon Hospital in a serious condition but did not recover from his injuries. A coolie, Yung Yung-sing, also was hurt.

Jubilee Reservoir



A splendid view of Jubilee Reservoir, Shing Mun Valley, which is to be officially opened by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, on Saturday afternoon.

Puddings For Tientsin



Black puddings being made at Bury for the Coronation celebrations of Lancashire Fusiliers at Tientsin, China.

WEDDING

WOOD-BOTELHO

Yesterday at the Registry, Miss Viola May Wood, of No. 324 Leighton Hill Road, became the bride of Mr. Francisco Botelho, of No. 310 Nathan Road, the Deputy Registrar of Marriages, Mr. J. P. Murphy, officiating.

Messrs. Kenneth A. Pang and Geo. A. Gordon were the witnesses.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The following forthcoming weddings are announced:—
Mr. Hellmut Lange, missionary, of Ha Fong Village, Canton, to Miss Elizabeth Solbrig, attached to a missionary station at Shlow Chow, North River.

Rice Shortage

\$5,000,000 Loan

Shanghai, Jan. 27.
In order to relieve the rice shortage in Kwangtung Province, Mr. T. V. Soong, former Finance Minister, on hearing the representatives of Mr. Chow Chung-ki, Assistant Superintendent of the Canton-Hankow Railway, has expressed his willingness to arrange a loan of \$5,000,000 from the Central Bank for the purchase, and transport of Hunan rice for the relief of Kwangtung. —Chinese Evening Press.

Mr. Alexander Stevens, of "Courtlands," Kennedy Road, to Miss Joan Leppard, of 4B Kennedy Road.

DR. KUNG CHANG HSI

Studying Farmers Relief

Nanking, Jan. 27.
Dr. Kung Chang-hsi, Finance Minister and Vice-President of the Nanking Executive Yuan, who has been acting for Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek during his absence on sick leave in Fenghua, is now busily engaged studying the numerous schemes for the relief of farmers and the improvement of agriculture.

It is reported that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's recommendations for the improvement of agriculture are also engaging his earnest attention. —Chinese Evening Press.

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Governor's Transfer

In reply to enquiries yesterday as to whether any reply had been received from London to the petition urging Sir Andrew Caldecott's retention as Governor of Hong Kong, Mr. M. F. Key, Secretary of the General Chamber of Commerce, said that no word had been received yet though they were expecting to hear "any minute now."

Earned Millions —Left £70

Founder of the British Legion Poppy factory and the Garden of Remembrance, Major George Howson, who helped to make millions of pounds for his ex-Servicemen comrades, died leaving only £70 7s. 2d.

Major Howson, who lived at The Boltons, Kensington, S.W., and The Hyde, Hambleton, Bucks, died last November, aged fifty. He left a widow.

On November 11, a few days before he died, Major Howson was driven in an ambulance to the Garden of Remembrance at Westminster Abbey, where King Edward VIII. who was paying a surprise visit, chatted with him. Relatives and friends were astonished when the will was published on January 13. Even his father, the Ven. George Howson, Precentor of Southwark, and formerly Archdeacon of Liverpool, was amazed.

He said: "My son never discussed his will with me but I am surprised at the smallness of his estate."

"I know that he was a generous man."

"Communism In China"

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Mr. Wang Ching Wei Returns To Nanking

Ningpo, Jan. 27.
Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and Mr. Wang Ching-wei, President of the Nanking Executive Yuan, have been conferring daily regarding the settlement of the Sian imbroglio, and it is understood that they have both agreed upon plans for a satisfactory solution.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei flew back to Nanking this morning, and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek saw him off in person.

Mr. Wang arrived at Nanking at 11.35 a.m., and was welcomed by the leading officials of the Government. It is believed that a peaceful settlement is now assured. —Chinese Evening Press.

Very Enjoyable Meet

The Fanling Hounds

The Fanling Hounds met yesterday at Potts's Bungalow and a very good time was had by a fairly good field.

Capt. Swinburne hunted hounds, while Mr. Henriques and Mr. Baker-Carr were the whips. Amongst those present were Mrs. Acton-Hunt, Mrs. Coltart, Mr. Marson, Mrs. McAvoy, Major Murphy, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Scott, Mr. Minshull-Ford, Capt. Clarke, Mr. Parker-Jervis, Miss Jones, Miss Oldfield, Mrs. Rybot, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Lewis, Capt. Gwyder-Jones, Miss Lois Pearson, and Mr. W. T. Stanton.

Never Earned A Penny

Captain W. G. Willcox, national organiser of the British Legion Poppy Day appeal, said:—"It sounds incredible. Though he never earned a penny for his work in connection with the poppy factory and Garden of Remembrance, he always appeared to be fairly comfortable."

Major Howson's first poppy factory was in the Old Kent-road. The factory at Richmond now employs 400 ex-soldiers, who make nearly 40,000,000 poppies a year.

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LONDON SILVER MARKET

(From Our Own Correspondent)

London, Jan. 27.

London silver prices to-day were unchanged as follows:—

Jan. 28 Jan. 27

Spot 20-7/16 20-7/16

Forward 20-3/8 20-3/8

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Empire's Part In The Coronation

The appointment by the King of a new Empire Coronation Commission, which will meet in London to consider aspects of the Coronation of common concern, was announced from Buckingham Palace on January 14.

The Duke of Gloucester, is chairman of the Commission, which includes the members of the Privy Council Coronation Committee, the Prime Ministers of Canada, South Africa, New Zealand and Australia, and the High Commissioners in London of these countries.

The Commission's appointment results from the fact that since the Coronation of King George V. the Dominions have acquired a new status under the Statute of Westminster, requiring recognition of their equal interests with those of the United Kingdom.

DOMINION REPRESENTATIVES
Members of the new commission are:—
United Kingdom.—The persons who will act as members of the Coronation Committee of the Privy Council.

Canada.—The Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King; the High Commissioner in London, Mr. Vincent Massey; Lt.-Col. G. P. Vanier.

Australia.—The Prime Minister, Mr. J. A. Lyons; the High Commissioner in London, Mr. S. M. Bruce; Sir Isaac Isaacs, Sir John Latham, Sir George Rich, Mr. John Curtin.

New Zealand.—The Prime Minister, Mr. Joseph Savage; the Minister of Finance, Customs and Marketing, Mr. Walter Nash; the High Commissioner in London, Mr. W. J. Jordan.

South Africa.—The Prime Minister, Gen. Hertzog; the High Commissioner in London, Mr. C. T. le Waters.

The members of the new Commission are largely the same as those appointed by ex-King Edward.

NEW MEMBERS
The Coronation Committee of the Privy Council which is also headed by the Duke of Gloucester, consists of 42 persons.

They include the Duke of Norfolk, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Mr. Lloyd George. Mr. Walter Elliot, Secretary for Scotland, is now a member. Sir Godfrey Collins having died since King Edward's proclamation. Sir Samuel Hoare, as First Lord of the Admiralty, replaces Viscount Monell, whom he succeeded.

New Zealand's new High Commissioner in London, Mr. W. J. Jordan, succeeds Sir C. J. Parr as one of his country's representatives. An additional member is the New Zealand Minister of Finance, Customs and Marketing, Mr. Walter Nash, who arrived in England on November 10.

Revolt Planned In Szechuen

Chungking, Jan. 27.
It is reported that a rebellious plot has been unearthed in Chengtu, Szechuen province, and seven of the conspirators have been arrested.

The leader of this rebellious plot is Tseng Tin-chuan, and he declares that he is the commander of

the National Salvation army of the three provinces, viz. Szechuen, Yunnan and Kweichow.

It is the aim of the conspirators to start a revolution against the Nanking Government, and it is reported that they are connected with the Sian rebels. —Chinese Evening Press.



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CORONATION PROGRAMME

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PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

As at present approved by His Majesty, the Programme of events is as follows:—

May
Wednesday, 5.—Court.
Thursday, 6.—Court.
Monday, 10.—Arrival of Envoys and Deputations.
Tuesday, 11.—Presentation of Addresses and Loyal Greetings by Prime Ministers of the Dominions and by representatives of India and of the Colonial Empire.

Luncheon party by the King and Queen at Buckingham Palace for British Commonwealth Representatives.
Dinner party by the Duke of Gloucester.
Wednesday, 12.—Coronation.
Empire Broadcast in the evening by the King.

Thursday, 13.—State Banquet.
Friday, 14.—Dinner to the King and Queen by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, at the Foreign Office.

Court Ball, Buckingham Palace.
Saturday, 15.—Reception for, and departure of, Foreign Envoys and Deputations.

Sunday, 16.—(Whit Sunday).
Monday, 17.—(Whit Monday).
Wednesday, 19.—The King and Queen drive to and lunch at the Guildhall.

Thursday, 20.—Naval Review by the King.
Monday, 24.—Empire Day.

The King and Queen attend Service at St. Paul's Cathedral (Plain Clothes).
Tuesday, 25.—Dinner to the King and Queen by the Prime Minister, at 10 Downing Street.

Wednesday, 26.—Birthday of Queen Mary.
Court Ball, Buckingham Palace.

Thursday, 27.—The King and Queen will be present at an evening reception by the London County Council.
Friday, 28.—Levee.

June
Wednesday, 9.—Official celebration of the King's Birthday.
Trooping of the Colour.

Thursday, 10.—Investiture.
Friday, 11.—Investiture.
Tuesday, 22.—Levee.

Garden Party, Buckingham Palace.
Sunday, 27.—Review of Ex-Service Men by the King.

July
Thursday, 1.—Court.
Monday, 5; Tuesday, 6; Wednesday, 7; Thursday, 8; and Friday, 9.—Visit by the King and Queen to Scotland.

Wednesday, 14; and Thursday, 15.—Visit by the King and Queen to Wales.
Thursday, 22.—Garden Party at Buckingham Palace.

The place of the Review of Ex-Service Men will be announced later.
Routes of the Processions on the day of the Coronation.

From Buckingham Palace by way of—
West and North Sides of the Victoria Memorial, The Mall, Admiralty Arch, South side of Trafalgar Square, Whitehall, East and South sides of Parliament Square, and Broad Sanctuary, to the West Entrance of Westminster Abbey.
The return route being—
From Westminster Abbey by way of—

Broad Sanctuary, West and North sides of Parliament Square, Bridge Street, Victoria Embankment, Northumberland Avenue, South side of Trafalgar Square, Cockspur Street, Pall Mall, St. James's Street, Piccadilly, West side of Piccadilly, Circus, Regent Street, Oxford Circus, Oxford Street, Through the Marble Arch and central gate opposite, East Carriage Road in Hyde Park, Hyde Park Corner, Through central arch of the screen, by Constitution Hill, and the North, East and South sides of the Victoria Memorial, to Buckingham Palace.

Visit to the Guildhall
On the journey to the Guildhall, the King and Queen will travel by the direct route along the Strand, Fleet Street, St. Paul's Churchyard and Cheapside. Their Majesties will return by way of Queen Victoria Street and the Embankment.

Street Decorations and Floodlighting
Street Decorations, unless damaged by the weather, will remain in place until midnight on Thursday, May 7. Floodlighting of selected buildings in London will be carried out on the evening of Wednesday, May 12, and on subsequent evenings up to Whit Monday, May 17, inclusive.

SIR M. LAMPSON PRESENTS HIS CREDENTIALS

NOW AMBASSADOR

Ceremonial At Cairo

There was further proof of the changed relations between Britain and Egypt when Sir Miles Lampson presented his credentials to the Regency Council on his appointment as British Ambassador.

This was the first time on record that a British representative had presented his credentials in Cairo or conformed to the ceremonial followed in the case of other foreign representatives.

As is customary on such occasions, the Abdin Palace provided the transport—consisting of three glass-sided "coaches." The first, drawn by four magnificent horses, carried Sir Miles Lampson, in Ambassadorial uniform, and Mohamed Hussein Bey, the second Chamberlain.

Powdered Coachmen
The other two coaches carried the senior Embassy staff. Two Palace cars brought up the rear, conveying junior members.

Powdered coachmen in bright costumes held the reins, and flunkies, similarly attired, stood behind, while bare-footed groomsmen, carrying their wands of office, ran beside the coaches, calling on all and sundry to make way for the Sovereign's distinguished visitors.

A full squadron of the Royal Bodyguard, in blue and red uniform and with drawn swords, escorted the leading coach.

As the procession moved along the streets, which were lined with police, it was saluted periodically by the crowds.

In the Palace courtyard the Egyptian Guard presented arms, and its band played the British National Anthem, both on the arrival of the Ambassador and on his departure.

Sir Miles Lampson was conducted up the staircase, which was lined on both sides by a stalwart bodyguard, to the Throne Room, where he was received by the Regency Council, headed by Prince Mohamed Ali.

After the ceremony Sir Miles had coffee with the members of the Council.

Stands and Reserved Accommodation on the Route of the Coronation Procession
The following statement has also been issued:—

The Coronation Committee has had under consideration the arrangements to be made as to the stands and other reserved accommodation to be provided on property under the control of the Office of Works. The Committee's first consideration has been to refrain as far as possible from encroaching upon ground to which the general public can claim a right of access without payment, and from which a reasonable view of the Coronation Procession can be obtained by persons standing at ground level. Subject to this consideration, stands to the fullest possible capacity from the seats of which a view will be obtainable without obstruction by trees, etc., are being or will be erected along the East side of the East Carriage Drive in Hyde Park and in Hamilton Place Gardens, on both sides of Constitution Hill, in the Queen Victoria Memorial Gardens and on both sides of the Mall, on sites within the precincts of the Palace of Westminster and in Parliament Square, and in the garden ground attached to Whitehall Gardens along the Embankment, to provide accommodation for approximately 85,000 persons in all.

In addition, standing space for approximately 30,000 persons will be reserved in Constitution Hill and at the Queen Victoria Memorial and on the pavements round Parliament Square and in the vicinity of the Palace of Westminster.

The seats on the stands, for which a charge will be made, and the free standing space will be allocated in accordance with a scheme which, after providing a number for visitors from the Dominions, India and the Colonies, will allow of an allotment of seats and standing room to representatives of as many facets of the national life as possible, e.g., official, municipal, professional, labour, etc.

The actual selection of these national and other services and activities is having careful consideration.

No applications for tickets from individuals can be considered

BIG NAVAL EXERCISES IN MARCH

Fleets To Meet At Gibraltar

MANOEUVRES AT HIGH SPEED

The first units of the Home Fleet, which will sail from home on January 18 for Gibraltar for spring exercises, will consist of six battleships, an aircraft carrier, three cruisers, and 18 destroyers, writes a London correspondent. They will be followed later by another aircraft carrier and nine more destroyers.

From "the Rock" various units of the Fleet will make visits to Lisbon and ports in Northern Africa. All ships will reassemble at Gibraltar at the end of February to take part with the Mediterranean Fleet in manoeuvres on a large scale between March 1 and March 6.

It is not yet known whether these are to be held in the Mediterranean or, as happened in 1934 and again in 1935, in the Atlantic, where there is more "sea room" and less likelihood of interference with merchant shipping.

DEFENCE OF TRADE
When the two Fleets meet they will have a total strength of nine battleships, two battle cruisers, 12 cruisers, three aircraft carriers and 50 destroyers. No submarines from the Home Fleet are taking part, but seven boats from the Mediterranean command may be present.

It is understood that the exercises will, as in previous years, be concerned with the defence of trade. In that case the British mercantile marine will be invited to co-operate. British merchant ships played a prominent part in the 1935 exercises, when their enthusiastic co-operation yielded valuable experience. Owing to the Mediterranean crisis, no combined manoeuvres were held last year.

AIRCRAFT CARRIERS
In view of the new policy of restoring the Navy to fully efficiency, it is probable that ships engaged in the March "war" will do more steaming at high speed than was possible in previous years, when oil fuel was severely rationed.

On past occasions big ships have been usually restricted to 12 knots and cruisers and destroyers to proportionately low speeds. This handicap deprived the exercises of much of their training value, and was an example of false economy.

Some weeks before the coming exercises the three big aircraft carriers, Furious, Courageous and Glorious, are to meet at Malta and then make a practice cruise in the Eastern Mediterranean under the command of Vice-Admiral N. F. Laurence.

BICYCLE THIEF CAUGHT
Pleading guilty to the charge of larceny of one push bicycle outside No. 6, Hong Lok Street, on January 16, Hui Lau, 30, unemployed was fined \$10 for three weeks' in gaol by Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday.

Det.-Sgt. Hunter, who prosecuted, said the executed a stolen property warrant on January 26 at 555, Shanghai Street, third floor, and arrested the defendant.

MRS. JARRETT'S DECISION
Eleanor Holm Jarrett, the American swimmer whose dismissal caused the sensation of the recent Olympics, has announced that she will swim no more as an amateur, a Reuter message from New York states.

She considers the A.A.U. should have taken up her case at the recent convention in Houston, Texas.

"First they put me off the Olympic team," she said. "Then they suspend me. Now I don't know whether I'm a professional or an amateur, but I won't swim again as an amateur and as a professional only against Miss Zenf."

Miss Zenf won the backstroke title in Berlin, an honour which experts considered would have gone to Mrs. Jarrett had she taken part in the contest. She is making a series of vaudeville appearances at the moment with her husband, Art Jarrett.

either by the Coronation Committee or by the Office of Works.

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Savoury Snacks

ROLLED SANDWICHES

Cut very thin slices of brown or white bread, buttered. Spread with some suitable filling (a great many are suggested in the course of this article), cut off the crusts and roll each sandwich up tightly. Dip the ends, for decoration, into finely chopped, dried parsley, sieved yolk of egg or coralline pepper. Fairly new, soft bread is the most suitable for these sandwiches.

NEAPOLITAN SANDWICHES

Thin bread and butter.
3 or 4 savoury fillings of contrasting colours (e.g. tomato, folegras, watercress and egg).
Butter the bread on both sides, then build up a large block of alternate layers of bread and filling, working the different colours in rotation, somewhat after the manner of a club sandwich. Cut off the crust and press well. Wrap the block in greaseproof paper and leave for twelve hours on ice, heavily weighted. When required, cut into slices across the layers of filling, and you have a sandwich of many-coloured stripes.
These, arranged on a dish with the rolled sandwiches in the centre, present a very attractive appearance.

CHEESE PASTRY

Cheese straws and cheese biscuits are always popular, and the biscuits may be varied endlessly by being spread or sandwiched with various fillings.

First here is a recipe for the usual variety

3 oz. flour.
1 1/2 oz. butter.
Salt, pepper, Cayenne.
Water, if necessary.
3 oz. grated cheese (mixture of Parmesan or soft cheese).
1 yolk of egg.

Add salt and other seasoning to the flour, rub the butter in finely, add the grated cheese and sufficient yolk of egg to make a very stiff paste.

CHEESE STRAWS

Roll the pastry in a strip about 3 in. wide and less than 1/4 in. thick. Trim off the edges, and cut 1/4 in. straws, using the width of the strip to form the length of the straws.

From the trimmings cut 1/4 in. rings, with two different-sized cutters. Bake in a very quick oven for 7-10 min. Serve with 6 or 8 straws slipped inside each ring to form a sheaf. Sprinkle with coralline pepper.

CHEESE BISCUITS

Roll the pastry less than 1/4 in. thick, and cut biscuits with a round or fancy-shaped cutter. Prick each one to prevent rising, and bake in a very quick oven for 10-15 min.

CELERY PASTRY

As a change from cheese pastry, make as above, but in place of cheese add 2-3 teaspoonfuls of celery salt.

ANCHOVY PASTRY

Make as above, but omit the cheese, and bind to a stiff paste with anchovy essence in place of yolk of egg and cold water.

SAVOURY FILLINGS

The following may be used successfully with any of the above pastries, or with puff pastry. Also for stuffed eggs, olives, nuts, etc., and for sandwiches.

DATE DE FOIE

1 calf's tongue, weighing 2 1/2 lb.
1 cup melted butter.
1 tablespoonful ground cloves.
1 tablespoonful Worcester sauce.
1 calf's liver weighing 2 lb.
1 teaspoonful made mustard.
1 teaspoonful cayenne.
1 teaspoonful boiling water.
A few truffles.

Boil the tongue and liver in boiling salted water in separate pans until tender. When cold, pound in a mortar, reserving about 2 oz. of the tongue, and add butter gradually to form a smooth paste. Add seasoning and water, then small dice of the remaining tongue and cut truffles.

Put into a basin, cover with a little melted butter and keep in a cool place until required.

ANCHOVY BUTTER

5 anchovies.
2 oz. butter.
Lemon juice.
Pink colouring.

Wash the anchovies and remove all bones. Dry them. Pound them with the butter and add a squeeze of lemon. Rub through a very fine sieve. Colour if necessary. Spread on a plate and use when very cold.

GREEN BUTTER

2 oz. butter.
1 1/2 oz. watercress.
Green colouring.
Salt Cayenne.

Wash the watercress and pound in a mortar. Press through a hair sieve. Cream the butter, add the sieved cress, seasoning and colour if necessary. Use as required.

AVOCADA PEAR BUTTER

2 oz. butter.
1 Avocado pear.
Salt, cayenne. Vinegar to taste (optional).
Green colouring.
Skin and stone the Avocado pear with a stainless knife. Pound the butter and seasoning. Colour a pale green and use at once.

ODD'S ROE

Wash the roe well, tie in muslin and cook gently in boiling salted water for 1-1 1/2 hour according to size. Drain. Melt 3 oz. butter in a pan. Add the roe and seasoning and stir over the fire for 5 minutes, then pound and sieve the mixture. Use as required.

CELERY CREAM

1 gill cream.
1 oz. chopped celery.
Salt, cayenne.
Whip the cream stiffly, add seasoning and chopped celery, and use for sandwiches or for piling on to savoury biscuits.
Chopped walnuts may be used in place of celery.

PUFF PASTRY

Another foundation recipe which lends itself to endless variation is puff pastry and a number of attractive ideas can be carried out with it. Only one batch of pastry need be made as a base for all of them, so the saving of labour is considerable.

1 lb. flour.
1 lb. butter.
1 teaspoonful salt.
Cold water to mix.
1 teaspoonful lemon juice.
Sieve the flour and salt into a basin. Mix to a soft dough with water to.

Marrow Curd

Lemon curd is rather expensive to make at home. An excellent substitute can be made from marrow and the other ingredients in the following recipe. The hard, yellow marrow, which is all that can be got now, is just what is wanted.

Peel and cut up the marrow and then weigh it. To one and a half pounds of marrow allow one and a half pounds of lump sugar three lemons and three "ounces of fresh butter. Steam the marrow till soft and allow it to drain in a sieve or colander till next day. Beat it smooth with a fork. Crush the sugar and add it with the grated rind and strained juice of the lemons. Stir over a gentle heat till dissolved and then boil slowly until it is a smooth mass. Put into jam jars and cover. It makes a delicious filling for open tarts.

COCONUT DELIGHT

To one pound of sugar allow one and a half ounces of sheet gelatine and half a pound of shredded coconut.

Soak the gelatine for about an hour in a cupful of cold water. If it absorbs all the water and is hard at the edges, add a little more if there is any water left with the gelatine, strain it away.

Put one pound of lump sugar into a saucepan with two tablespoonfuls of cold water, and stir gently over the heat till the sugar has melted. Now add the soaked gelatine and, stirring all the time, boil for about twenty minutes. Add the coconut, stirring it in little, mix well with a wooden spoon, and turn the mixture on to a dish which has been rinsed in cold water. Leave all night to set. Cut into squares when cold, and sprinkle with icing sugar.

WELSH RAREBIT

Put half a cup of ale or beer in a chaffing dish and in it melt an ounce of butter and four ounces of cheese and add half a teaspoon of mustard and a pinch of cayenne. Stir rapidly until creamy over a high flame, in order to avoid stringing. Spread on toasted rye bread.

Decorating Your Cakes

Icing or frosting will do for your cakes what a new hat does for you. Cup cakes are particularly susceptible to clever icing. You'll need imagination used with restraint, simplicity seasoned with dainty colours, and a few inexpensive materials to begin with.

Versatile Butter Frosting

In a small mixing bowl cream 2 tablespoonfuls butter. Add part of 2 1/2 cups confectioners' sugar gradually blending after each addition. Add remaining sugar, alternately with

1 egg white, unbeaten, then with about

1 tablespoon cream, until of right consistency to spread. Add

1/2 teaspoon vanilla and Dash of salt. Beat after each addition until smooth.

You can use cup cakes of various shapes and sizes, or cut shapes from a sheet of cake. Burned edges on cakes can easily be removed with a small hand grater by rubbing gently. Cup cakes should be cooled topside down on your cake racks, then you'll have smooth level tops for frosting. If it is a large party cake you are frosting, do so on a large square of waxed paper. Then you can slide the cake carefully onto a plate.

Brush off all the loose crumbs, and trim off loose edges before you begin. To frost both tops and sides of a cup cake, hold the cake loosely with thumb and fingers on top and bottom of cake. Frost sides, letting cake turn as frosting is applied; then set the cake on rack and frost the top.

Do not use a centre decoration too big for the size of the cake. Small seedless raisins when flattened make interesting flower petals. Angeliola or citron can be cut with a sharp knife to form flower stems and leaves. Candied or maraschino cherries are colourful and may often be used. Red cinnamon drops, red hearts, tiny coloured candles, chocolate shot, and coconut all offer many possibilities. Coconut may be used in its usual form or be toasted. It is also possible to tint it in many dainty colours.

To tint: Sprinkle coconut on white paper. Dilute a tiny bit of vegetable colouring in a small amount of water and pour over the coconut. Rub evenly through it until it is tinted.

It is possible to use one cup cake recipe and serve a variety of cup cakes, tasting differently because of the frostings.



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GERMAN OFFICIALS

New Law Affecting Status Passed

Berlin, Jan. 26.

A new law affecting the status of German officials, and a further one laying down new stipulations regarding share and stock companies, were passed by the Cabinet at a special meeting to-day.

A third law, which abolishes territorial incongruities, the legacy of Germany's former federal system, likewise received the sanction of the German cabinet.

According to the new law, defining the status of German officials, the officials will, in the future, swear allegiance solely to Chancellor Hitler. Formerly officials were required to take oath to uphold the constitution. A uniform administrative penal code, as applied to officials, is likewise enacted.

As regards the new stipulations concerning the share and stock companies, it is declared that the capital of any company shall henceforth be 500,000 marks, and the directors' fees must be in fair proportion to the company's contribution to social welfare work.

The new law abolishing territorial incongruities is to be applied in the first instance to the greater Hamburg zone where the towns of Altona and Wandsbeck, with a combined population of several hundred thousands, are to be incorporated in greater Hamburg which will thus become a city of more than 1,500,000 inhabitants.—*Transoceanic News Service.*

SOVIET SHIP DESTROYED

Salamanca, Jan. 26.

The National Broadcasting Station announces the destruction of a Soviet Russian ship. According to this message, the ship was attempting to make for Port Santander when she struck a mine and sank. It is feared that the entire crew was lost.—*Transoceanic News Service.*

PARLEY REFUSED

Washington, Jan. 26.

Owing to the refusal of Mr. Alfred Sloan, President of General Motors Corporation, to accept the invitation of Miss Perkins, Secretary of Labour, to confer with the Motor-Car Union strike leaders at Washington to-morrow, the deadlock in the strike continues.

Miss Perkins to-day declared that the General Motors Corporation, by its refusal, had failed in its public duty and made a great mistake.

President Roosevelt to-day called three conferences between labour and business leaders to discuss wages and hours legislation which, according to Miss Perkins, may empower the Labour Department to subpoena witnesses in enquiring into the causes of labour disputes.

The President, speaking at a press conference, described Mr. Sloan's refusal as a most unfortunate decision.—*Reuter.*

ALLEGED SUPPORT OF NATIONALIST CAUSE

Toledo, Jan. 26.

Numerous persons have been arrested in Barcelona for the alleged support of the Nationalist cause according to reports here which state that the arrested persons were charged with having prepared plans for rendering assistance to the Nationalist troops on the Catalan coast.

The messages declare that the execution of the arrested Nationalist sympathisers is a foregone conclusion. A report broadcasted by the Red Government regarding the alleged wounding of the Nationalist General Aranda, who directed the defence of Oviedo, causes the Nationalist headquarters to point out that General Aranda merely sustained slight injuries, and that these were not serious enough to stop the General from continuing his duties.—*Transoceanic News Service.*

FRANCO-TURKISH DISPUTE SETTLED

Geneva, Jan. 26.

The Franco-Turkish dispute over the administration of the port of Alexandretta has been settled. The two countries reached agreement on all points but that of language yesterday; but here they found a stumbling block.

Turkey demanded that Turkish be spoken officially, but agreed to accept the ruling of the League Council Commission as to whether Arabic or any other official language was necessary. To this France declined to agree at first.

However, a compromise was arrived at in the evening. This provides that Turkish will be the official language. The League Council, it was decided, should judge whether another language was necessary.

This formula has still to be endorsed by the Turkish Government.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

NON-INTERVENTION COMMITTEE

London, Jan. 25.

The sub-committee of the International Non-Intervention Committee, has been convened for 11 a.m. on Thursday for the examination of the control plan. It is intended to rush through the examination so that prohibition of the recruiting of volunteers can come into force simultaneously with the control plan.—*Transoceanic News Service.*

GERMAN-JAPANESE SOCIETY

Berlin, Jan. 26.

The governing body of the German-Japanese Society here has unanimously decided to request Vice-Admiral Richard Forster to become the Society's president in succession to the late Admiral Behncke. The Vice-Admiral has intimated his acceptance of the honour.—*Transoceanic News Service.*

SENSATION BOULEVARD

Journalists Fight Sakre Duel

Paris, Jan. 26.

A sabre duel, fought by two prominent journalists in a park near St. Cyr, is the latest sensation of the boulevard. The duel was the sequel of insulting remarks which the director of the paper, "Ami du Peuple," Michelson, had made about his colleague, Sergeverber, and when Michelson refused to withdraw his remarks he was promptly challenged to a sabre duel. The four seconds attending the duel included the Chamber Deputy, Scapini, who was blinded during the Great War.

After a brief fight, Michelson was forced to retire, having sustained an injury in his left arm. The two adversaries, according to press reports, refused to shake hands after the duel which may, therefore, be re-fought when Michelson has fully recovered from his injury.—*Transoceanic News Service.*

AIRCRAFT FACTORY

London, Jan. 26.

The Prime Minister announced in the House of Commons that in view of wider considerations involved in the case of the proposed new aircraft factory at White Waltham, near Maidenhead, the Minister for Air was prepared to waive the preference from this site and was taking immediate steps to find a suitable site in Lancashire.—*British Wireless.*

EMPIRE MIGRATION

London, Jan. 26.

The Dominions Secretary, in the House of Commons, stated the agenda for the coming Imperial Conference, had not yet been finally determined, but the Government certainly hoped that it would be possible to discuss the question of migration with

DANZIG QUESTION

Geneva, Jan. 26.

The Committee of Three, discussing the Danzig question to-day, succeeded in arriving at a final agreement. The drafted terms of this agreement can now be placed before the League of Nations to-morrow as it will need a resolution of the Council to give it effect.

It seems certain that regard has been given to the Danzig Senate's standpoint insofar as the newly appointed High Commissioner, Vice-Admiral de Gruen, will have no powers to interfere in Danzig's domestic affairs.—*Transoceanic News Service.*

NEW ARMAMENT FACTORY

London, Jan. 26.

The new Government armament factory will be built in Lancashire and not near Maldenhead as originally planned, according to an announcement made by the Premier Mr. Stanley Baldwin, in the House of Commons, to-day.

The Premier added that in the selection of the site, consideration for the relief of distressed areas was the decisive factor.—*Transoceanic News Service.*

MURDER OF DR. BOURQUIN

Several Arrests Made

Basle, Jan. 26.

Twelve arrests were made to-day in La Chaux de Fonds in connection with the murder of the leader of the Swiss National Youth Movement, Dr. Bourquin. Communist elements throughout the entire vicinity have received instructions to report at their meeting places so that the situation still remains fraught with gravity.—*Transoceanic News Service.*

Dominion delegates at the time of the Conference.—*British Wireless.*

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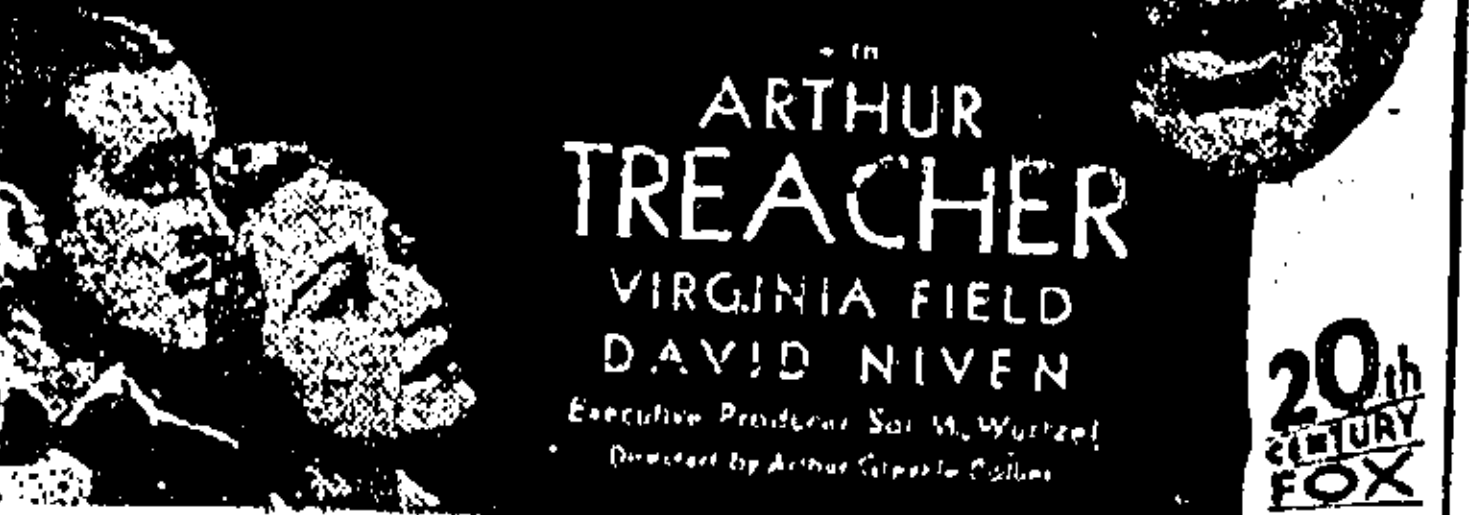
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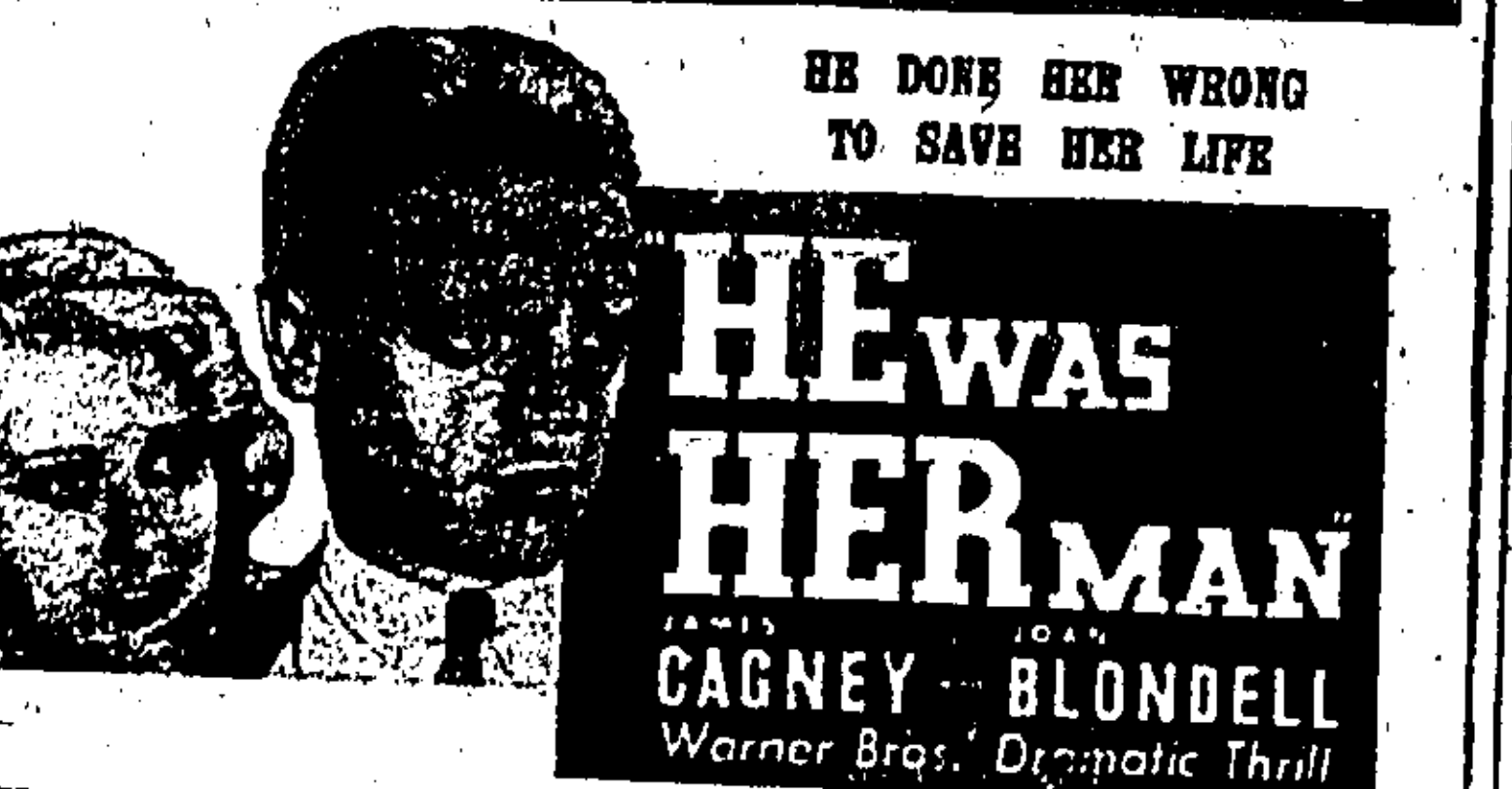
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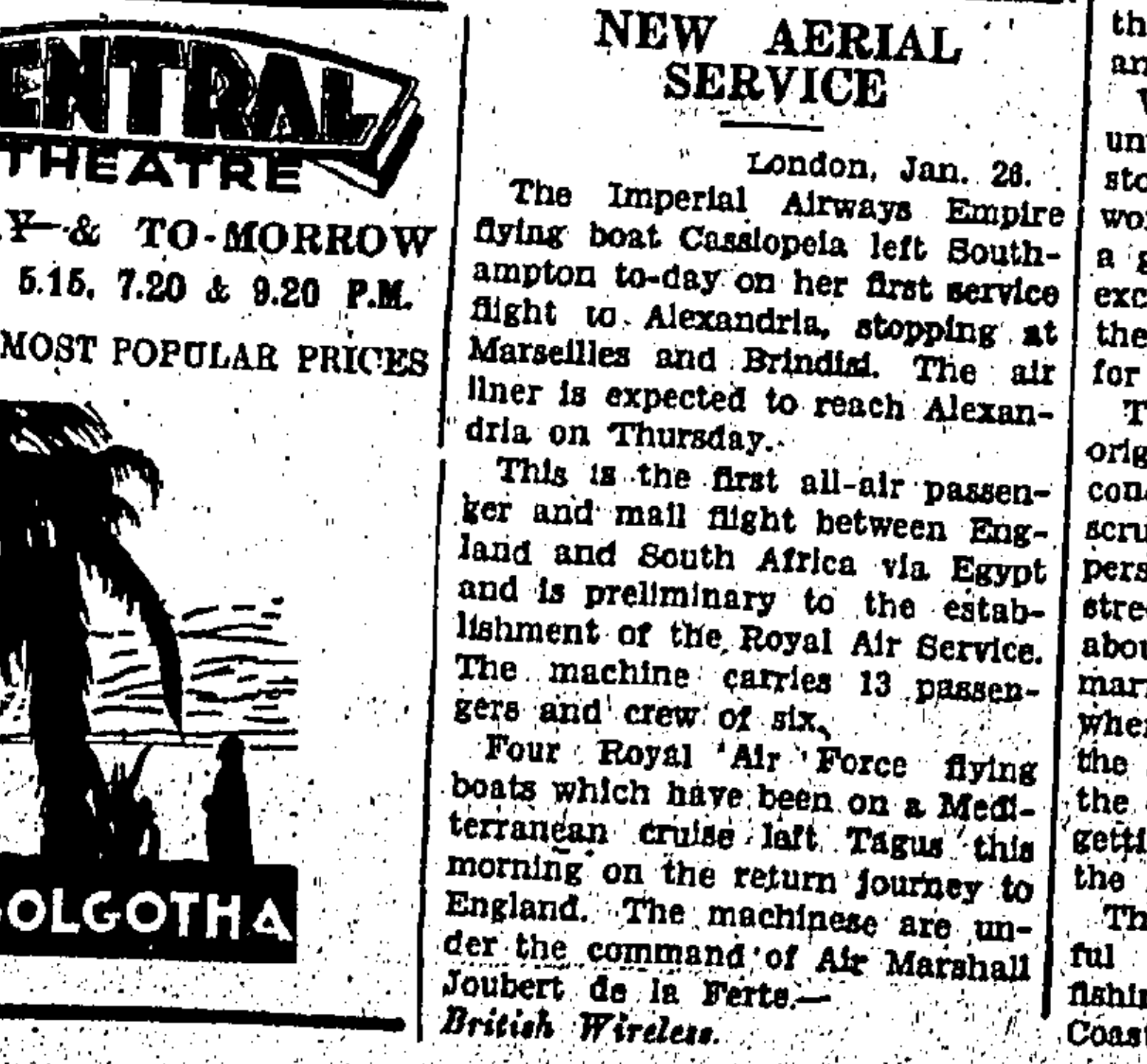


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KING'S:—"Mr. Cinderella"
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CENTRAL:—"Golgotha"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—"Damaged Lives"
MAJESTIC:—"Island of Lost Souls"
STAR:—"These Three"

Coming

KING'S:—"Born To Dance"
QUEEN'S:—"Champagne Waltz"
ORIENTAL:—"He Was Her Man"
ALHAMBRA:—"Champagne Waltz"
STAR:—"Champagne Waltz"
MAJESTIC:—"Captain Blood"

THANK YOU, JEEVES!

Jeeves, P. G. Wodehouse's hilarious "gentleman's gent" who knows all about women, fiction's funniest character, comes to the screen for the first time in the new Twentieth Century-Fox picture, "Thank You, Jeeves!" which is showing to-day at the Queen's Theatre.

Droll Arthur Treacher plays the pooka-faced valet, with Virginia Field the "lady in distress" and David Niven as the blundering, blithering Bertie Wooster. The picture opens in the apartment of Bertie Wooster, Wodehouse's amiable crackpot, with Bertie banging away with great zeal and little rhythm at a set of drums. Jeeves is a pained critic of his master's new aberration.

Jeeves gives notice; what with drumming, banjolele playing and romancing in various knife-throwing countries, Bertie's escapades have frayed even the iron Jeeves' nerves. As they talk, the doorbell rings and a beautiful young girl asks calmly for Mr. Bertie Wooster. Neither Bertie nor Jeeves has ever seen the girl before, but Bertie welcomes her over Jeeves' stony disapproval.

From the girl's speech, Bertie gathers that she is an international adventuress, with the police hot on her trail. When she leaves, Bertie and the despairing Jeeves follow.

True to form, Bertie has managed to garble everything and it remains for the imperturbable Jeeves to straighten matters out, which he does in a wildly hilarious series of mad adventures.

Joseph Hoffman and Stephen Gross wrote the screen play, based on one of the P. G. Wodehouse stories. Arthur Greville Collins directed the film, the production supervision of Executive Producer Sol M. Wurtzel.

HE WAS HER MAN

James Cagney's familiar "sock on the lady's jaw" is missing, and Joan Blondell, as a sorry street Camille, is never given a chance to dazzle by her usual display of feminine pulchritude, set-off by gorgeous gowns, but both of these sterling players scored a distinct triumph in a very unusual drama "He Was Her Man," showing at the Oriental Theatre on Friday and Saturday.

Warner Bros. have given a most unusual treatment to a thrilling story, which while based on underworld characters, is distinctly not a gangster picture, but rather an exceedingly interesting lesson in the value of decency as a guide for living.

FEAR OF WAR IN "FIVE MONTHS"

Field-Marshal Lord Milne's Remark

Field-Marshal Lord Milne, speaking at the mansion house, spoke of the threats of war in Europe and added:

"Some optimistic people say we have five years to prepare. I would consider myself an optimist if I said you have five months from to-night."

"The country is in danger," he said, and he went on to emphasise the need for a population ready and trained in arms for the time when the call should come.

Lord Rochdale, a president of the Cadet Committee, proposing the Imperial Forces, said that in 1914 the Army was minute in size, but matchless in quality. "But since the war we have cut it down and down in men, munitions and equipment until it is a phantom of what it was even in 1914. And still, although we have cut it down, we cannot get the men to reach full establishment."

"If you want an Army you must pay for it, and you must educate the young of this country to be ready to volunteer for service."

Army and Education
Field-Marshal Sir Cyril Deverell, Chief of Imperial General Staff, praised the supporters of the cadet movement. They had been experiencing considerable difficulty with Army recruiting, and he felt that as regards both the Regular Army and the Territorials, the cadet movement should be regarded as a nursery which would be of the very greatest value in an emergency.

"Education," he continued, "does not cease when a man enters the Army. I even claim that the Army succeeds, in many cases, where the schools have failed."

I do not hesitate to say that those who are responsible for the youth of this country are incurring a very grave responsibility if they continue to preach—as many of them do—that love of country is reactionary, and service for it is degrading. Let them rather claim that it is a proud thing to belong to, and a still prouder thing to serve, our Empire, the greatest power for good that the world has ever seen."

DAMAGED LIVES

"Damaged Lives," the title of the production which opens to-day at the Alhambra Theatre, is a film which deals with a social problem of paramount importance. It is a story of a youngster, who through ignorance and inexperience, contracts a disease and infects his young wife, also endangering the life of his unborn child.

The story is plausible and might have been taken from real life. This delicate situation is handled throughout with finesse and a good deal of restraint, and credit for that should go to the director, Lyman Williams who played the young husband turned in a very creditable performance. Diane Sinclair playing his wife, acquitted herself very well, and, to our opinion, carried off all acting honours. In the supporting cast, it was good to see such old-timers in Alhambra as Jason Robards, Marceline Day and George Irving who contributed materially to the entertainment in this picture.

However, apart from the entertainment one derives, it is felt that the educational value of this film is great, for it exposes the dangers of social diseases. Victory Potel, who in the drama itself takes the part of the doctor, delivers a lecture at its conclusion, pointing out the pit-falls the inexperienced may run into, and gives some very sound advice.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, Anniversaries and Holidays.—St. Flavian

Cinema
King's:—"Mr. Cinderella."
Queen's:—"Thank You, Jeeves."
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Oriental:—"Ex-Mrs. Bradford."
World:—"Chinese Picture."
Alhambra:—"Damaged Lives."
Majestic:—"Island of Lost Souls."
Star:—"These Three."
Lectures.—Theosophical Society, 6 p.m.

Meetings.—Annual, of St. John's Cathedral, 5.30 p.m.; Annual, of Hong Kong Philatelic Society, in "South China Morning Post" Board Room, 5.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—Government Vernacular Middle School Prize-Giving, 11 a.m.; Cheung Chau Government School Prize-Giving, 3 p.m.; St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship, 3 p.m.

Rehearsals.—H. K. Philharmonic Society's First Chorus Rehearsal of "The Street Singer," at Cathedral Hall, 8.45 p.m.

Social.—Reception at Club Lusitano in honour of Mr. J. P. Braga and Mr. L. d'Almada e Castro, Jr., at 5.30 p.m.; Kowloon Union Church Whist Drive, 8.45 p.m.; Cheero Club Mah Jong and Contract Bridge Drive, 8 p.m.; St. Andrew's Club entertains Kowloon Union Church Y.P.S. at 9 p.m.; Civil Service Cricket Club Whist Drive, 9.20 p.m.

Sports
Billiards.—Senior Championship: M. N. Rakusen v. M. K. Lau (Club Lusitano); Junior Championship: D. A. Montalto v. K. F. Tai (Engineers' Institute); M. A. Baptista v. C. Wellings (South China A.A.), 8.30 p.m.
Snooker.—Steel Coulson League: R.N.P. v. R.W. Fusillers; R.E. Mess v. C.S.C.C.; D.R.C. v. R.A. Mess.

Moon.—XII Moon, 18th Day. Sunrise.—7.04 a.m. Sunset.—6.09 p.m.

Tides.—High at 11.23 and 22.35; Low at 4.40 and 15.45.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, Anniversaries and Holidays.—St. Francis of Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church. Patron of Catholic Writers.

Cinema
King's:—"Mr. Cinderella."
Queen's:—"Thank You, Jeeves."
Central:—"Golgotha."
Oriental:—"He Was Her Man"
World:—"Chinese Picture."
Alhambra:—"Damaged Lives."
Star:—"These Three."

Dances.—Annual Ball of Society of St. George, Hong Kong.
Lectures.—Helena May Christian Fellowship Meeting, 10.30 a.m.; Dr. Li Shu-pul on "Splitting," at St. John Ambulance Headquarters, 7.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—Busy Bees Working Party Jumble Sale, at Cathedral Hall, 2.30 p.m.; King's College Prize-Giving, in College Hall, 11.15 a.m.

Social.—Cheero Club Duplicate Contract Bridge, 8 p.m.; Whist Drive and Tombola, Reading Room, Kowloon Docks, 9 p.m.

Sports
Badminton.—Mixed Doubles League: Club de Recreio "B" v. Free Lancers; University v. St. John's.
Billiards.—Junior Championship: F. J. A. Marques v. Ma Chun-man (Catholic Union); W. Wong v. J. C. Remedios (Civil Service C.C.), 8.30 p.m.

Racing.—Entries close for Fanling Hunt, Chinese New Year Meeting, noon.
Moon.—XII Moon, 17th Day. Sunrise.—7.04 a.m. Sunset.—6.09 p.m.

Tides.—High at 11.50 and 23.10; Low at 5.10 and 16.30.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, Anniversaries and Holidays.—St. Martin.

Dances.—Royal Army Medical Corps Association fortnightly dance, at Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—Claims against the Estate of Robert Morton Dyer due; Official opening of Jubilee Reservoir by H.E. the Governor.

Sports
Cricket.—First Division: Kowloon C.C. v. Royal Navy (F); Indian R.C. v. Hong Kong C.C. (F); Second Division: Hong Kong C.C. v. Police R.C. (L); Craigengower C.C. v. Police R.C. (L); Army "B" v. University (L); Civil Service C.C. v. Navy (L); Club de Recreio v. Kowloon C.C.

Moon.—XII Moon, 18th Day. Sunrise.—7.04 a.m. Sunset.—6.08 p.m.

Tides.—High at 10.55 and 21.55; Low at 4.08 and 15.02.

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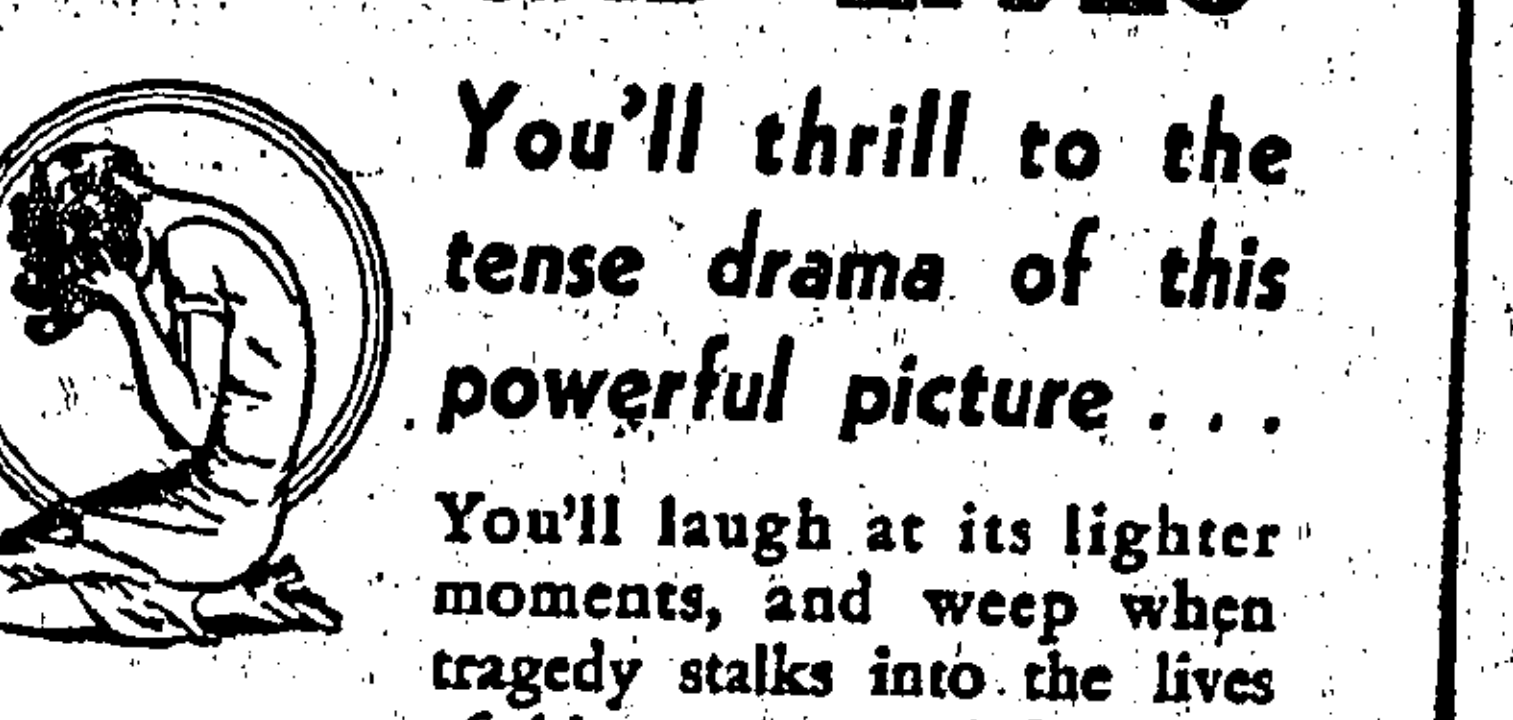
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MAN SENT TO SESSIONS

Uttering A Forged Dollar Note

Wong Yip Si, unemployed, was brought before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on charges of uttering two forged Hong Kong Government \$1 notes at two different places at Shanghai Street, and the possession of twelve forged notes.

Det.-Inspector A. H. Elston, who prosecuted, said that defendant, on January 31, went into a shop at Bakery Street and bought a packet of cigarettes. He tendered a forged note in payment. The shop owner, Leung Chuen, on close examination, found that the note was not a genuine one, and he hurried to recall defendant to change it. When he got into the street he saw that the defendant was buying something from another shop, not far away. He waited, and when defendant came out he informed a constable and arrested defendant.

Inquiries were made at the second shop and it was found that defendant had also uttered a forged note there.

Sgt. J. G. Witcroft, attached to the Treasury, gave evidence and said that the notes were not genuine.

It was stated that in answer to the charge at the police station defendant said that he did not know that the notes were forged, and that he had brought them down with him from Canton. He was committed to stand his trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

COSTLY BUS RIDE

"You must learn that it is cheap to be honest" said Mr. E. Himsforth when he imposed a fine of \$10 or two weeks' imprisonment on Chiu Ping-chung for riding on a bus without paying his fare. Inspector Rogers told the Court that defendant boarded the bus at Jordan Road Ferry on January 26, and when he was asked to pay his fare he replied that he was a monthly ticket holder. When he was asked to show his ticket defendant said that he had left it at home. When he heard that the inspector was about to check this ticket at the company defendant jumped off, and endeavored to run away, but he was confronted by a constable who had him arrested.

AN UNSUCCESSFUL BREAKAWAY

In attempting to escape from being caught when he was being chased by Mr. Everest of the Forestry Department for cutting trees near Tai Po Road, Pun Kam-shan, 25, unemployed, sustained a fractured leg when he collided with a tree. As a consequence, defendant was unable to answer to the charge at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

Inspector Chester Woods said that defendant would not be completely recovered till March.

THEFT OF BICYCLE

Pun Ying-soi, alias Pun Sun-to, 30, unemployed who stole a push bicycle which belonged to the Sun Fat bicycle shop was arrested and charged with the offence at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday.

Sub-Inspector Cunningham said that defendant stole the bicycle which was left by someone in a street, and sold it to a fold of the Jade Tree for the sum of \$6. Defendant pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour, and ordered to repay the \$6 to the fold, failing which he would have to serve two weeks' imprisonment. The bicycle was ordered to be restored to its owner.

Lifebuoy Taps

Tsui Mui, 20, unemployed, of 7 West Street, first floor, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning charged with the theft

SALE OF A CHILD

Chinese On Serious Charge

Tse Sang, 50, a tinsmith, of 15, Moon Street, ground floor, and three women, Chan Tai alias Yu Po, 49; Chan Wai Yee, 50, of No. 1, Stewart Road; and Kwok Mui, of No. 113, Leighton Hill Road, second floor, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday charged with having taken part in the transaction of a minor, Tse Mui, the twelve-year-old daughter of Tse Sang, on January 12.

Chan Wai Yee was represented by Mr. C. Y. Kwan, and Kwok Mui was defended by Mr. A. el Arcull.

Inspector E. J. Ellis, S.C.A., who prosecuted, said that on January 9, at 9 a.m., Chan Tai called at the house of Tse, and informed him that she could get employment for his daughter at \$1.50 a month, and she was accordingly taken to Chan Wai Yee's residence.

The Girl's Evidence

Kwok Mui admitted paying \$125 to Chan Wai Yee for the girl to adopt her for a daughter-in-law, but Chan Tai said that all the arrangements were made by the parents and the other parties, but this was denied by the parents.

The girl, Tse Mui, in the witness box, said that Chan Tai took her to Chan Wai Yee's house, and that the former spoke with Kwok Mui before she left the premises. Continuing, she said that she spent a night there and, the next day, Kwok Mui took her to defendant's house.

During the time that she spent there, the girl stated that she swept the floors and played with the other children.

She denied seeing any money transaction or of having heard any conversations relating to money regarding her.

She concluded by saying that her father had taken her to Chan Tai's place before she went to Kwok Mui's.

After Chiu Kang-yan, P.C.C. 128, had given evidence the hearing was adjourned.

Damage To Water Meters

High Cost Of Repairs

Tam Ho and Lee Shun, both unemployed, were charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday for the theft of water meter covers and indicators, the property of the Public Works Department.

Sub-Inspector Johnson, prosecuting, said that he was instructed to ask that a serious view be taken of the case as more than 450 meters had been damaged recently and that the cost of repairs and replacing would be about \$6,000.

Three men had already been arrested to date in connection with those thefts and the value of each indicator and the labour in replacing cost \$12.

Tam was sentenced to three months.

DASCHUNDS OWNER FINED

C. Leo Oldt, of 2, Longsight Villa, was summoned before Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning for allowing his two Daschunds out on Victoria Road on January 12, without muzzles and leads. A fine of \$10 was imposed.

Thefts At The Taikoo Docks

Chan Yau, a 30-year-old unemployed, of no fixed abode, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday for the larceny of 15 pounds of lead from the Taikoo Docks.

The lead, valued at \$31, was found on defendant's person, and it was alleged that he stole them from a ship now lying at the Docks undergoing extensive repairs.

of three air tanks from the Taikoo Docks.

Defendant was arrested with three other persons at Tai On Street, on the waterfront at 1.30 a.m. on January 26. The other three disappeared when a constable came on the scene.

The air tanks, made of brass and valued at \$10 each, are used on life boats to give them buoyancy, and their loss destroyed the efficiency of the boats until they were renewed.

Mr. Schofield: It is not easy to find out thefts of this kind, and I am going to take a serious view of such cases.

Sentence of three months with hard labour was imposed on defendant.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT!

Chinese Sent To Prison

Caught in the act of stealing eight pieces of iron plates from the Shing Mun Valley Water Scheme Store, Leung Lin, 36, unemployed, was arrested and brought before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, and was fined \$5 or an alternative of two weeks' imprisonment.

Sgt. Stewart said that defendant was seen by the store watchman at 5.45 a.m. on January 26, in the act of taking the articles away. When he realised that he was discovered he attempted to run, but was caught by the watchman.

CHICKEN THEFT AT SHOUSON HILL

Madame Chiffon, of No. 5, Shouson Hill, was the complainant yesterday at the Central Magistracy when Chau Kam, 23, a vegetable gardener, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield on a charge of stealing three chickens.

Defendant said that he lived at No. 78, Stone Nullah Lane, ground floor, and on January 21, he stole the chickens and tried to sell them to a woman at Stanley. Not being able to dispose of them, he killed one and ate it, and turned the other two loose.

The value of the chickens was placed at \$4, and defendant was fined \$4 or 10 days, and also \$25 or one month's additional imprisonment.

FURTHER REMAND GRANTED

A further week's remand was granted on Det-Sub. Inspector Cunningham's application when Ho Kwai, alias Ho Chi Tong, and his sister Ho Fun, alias Ho Wai-ching, were charged with uttering two forged Hong Kong Government \$1 notes at two different places at Shanghai Street, and the possession of twelve forged \$1 notes on January 23.



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"THE DISCOVERY"

Of great interest to Scouting circles is the Colonial Office announcement that the Legislative Council of the Falkland Islands has been asked to consent to the handing over of "The Discovery," the ship which took Captain Scott and his fellow explorers into the unknown regions of the Antarctic, now lying at the East India Dock, London, to the Boy Scouts Association.

It is the intention of the Boy Scouts Association to use "The Discovery" for many purposes:— (1) A living memorial to Captain Scott and other Polar explorers; (2) A Headquarters for the Sea Scout Branch of the Boy Scouts Association; (3) A training centre for Sea Scouts; (4) A training centre for poor and unemployed Scouts—so far as possible; (5) A rendezvous for Deep Sea Scouts; and (6) A hostel for overseas Scouts who may from time to time be passing through London and, in particular, for those who are the sons of descendants of British settlers overseas.

Subject to the necessary consent being obtained, it is intended to place in a conspicuous place on the ship the Arms of the Colony (Falkland Islands) of Scott and the Hudson Bay Company. It is not certain where the ship will be berthed, but it is hoped that it will be somewhere in the Thames, near London. Certain donations have already been promised to meet the upkeep costs which will be very considerable.

SCIENTIST HONOURED

A committee of representatives of the Royal Society of Edinburgh, the Royal Physical Society, and the Royal Geographical Society recently presented Mr. James W. S. Marr, scientist on the Royal research ship Discovery II with the Bruce Memorial Prize, a great honour, which he has received at Cape Town. In 1934 Mr. Marr was, on the approval of the King, awarded the Polar medal with clasp for his services with Sir Douglas Mawson's polar research expedition.

In 1921, when Mr. Marr was Patrol Leader of the 1st Aberdeen Group, a holder of the Silver Cross and the Royal Humane Society's certificate for life-saving, he was selected with Patrol Leader Mooney, of the 2nd Orkney Group, to accompany Sir Ernest Shackleton to the Antarctic in the Quest. This was the ill-fated voyage on which Sir Ernest Shackleton died. When Marr returned home he studied at Aberdeen University, and after graduation became assistant biologist to the Algarsson Expedition to the North Pole. In 1929 he sailed to the Antarctic in the Discovery.

"SCOUTING FOR BOYS"

The question is being often asked which is the world's most popular boy's book? Surely "Scout-

OFFERS TO BUY ISLAND

Inhabitants Starving

It now seems likely that a nautical solution to the troubles of the starving inhabitants of the Isle of Soay, off the coast of Skye, will be reached.

Several offers have been made by wealthy people to purchase the island and place its population of about 70 beyond want.

Their offers have followed the recent appeal by the islanders for assistance. They stated that unless it was forthcoming they would petition the King to be allowed to evacuate the island and ask his Majesty to give them a grant of land on the mainland.

A retired Glasgow business man has offered to purchase the island, take up residence there, and ensure a decent standard of living.

A retired British Civil Servant has proposed that he should invest his capital in the island, live on it and bring economic independence. The owner of Soay is Flora, Mrs. Macleod of Macleod, of Dunvegan Castle, Skye, and chieftainess of the Clan Macleod, whose family has owned the island for hundreds of years. All offers for Soay will be handed to her, while Mr. Walter Elliot, Secretary for Scotland, is to be informed of developments.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS

The Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited) advise us that the following unclaimed telegrams are lying in their offices:— Kosaken, from Tokyo; Muttraco, from Kobe; Kunal, from Kobe; and 6930, from Shanghai.

ing for Boys," by the Chief Scout, Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell. Its popularity can be gauged from the fact that it has been translated into 27 languages comprising Arabic, Spanish, Hebrew, French, Finnish, Czechoslovakian, Bulgarian, Estonian, German, Dutch, Indian Vernacular, Italian, Japanese, Malay, Polish, Rumanian, Russian, Swedish, Turkish, Yugoslavian, Afrikaans (South African Dutch), Finnish, Danish, Hungarian, Lithuanian, and Swahili. There is also an English edition for the blind in Braille.

The whole theme of Scouting rests upon the great ideas of Lord Baden-Powell, which are narrated in the book, and the Chief Scout claims it was through the book, which was first published in 1903 in fortnightly parts, that Scouting first started. Boys all over England read the book which then introduced its ideas abroad and thus performed deeds which have made Scouting what it is to-day—membership over two and a half million.

COMMISSIONER'S VISIT

Since Friday last the Rev. N. V. Halward, Commissioner of the Boy Scouts of Hong Kong, has been camping at Sai Wan with nine Chinese Scouts from the Holy Trinity College, Canton. Their time is being spent in visiting various places of interest in the Colony. Most of the boys have not been in Hong Kong before and they are getting real enjoyment from their short stay here.

A visit was paid by these nine Scouts to the 1st Hong Kong (St. Joseph's) on Tuesday evening when the latter entertained them to tea and indoor "campfire" entertainment. They were also the guests of the St. Paul's Troop last night. The party will be returning by train to Canton to-morrow morning.

Treasure In Duke Of St. Albans's Silver

Hiding among the Georgian family silver which the Duke of St. Albans had sent to Puttick and Simpson's for sale on January 15, was a small spoon which, on examination, proved to be an Edward VI. apostle spoon with the figure in gilt of the Master, made by Nicholas Bartlemew in 1550.

Such a prize drew a goodly company of bidders, and Mr. Francis Mallett had to give £240 to win it. As the spoon weighed only 10.18 dwts, the price per ounce works out at £128.

In the past very large sums were often paid for old spoons, and there was much excitement at Christie's in the Dunn-Gardner sale, 1902, when Mr. Lionel Critchton paid £690 for a large Tudor spoon with the figure and inscription "St. Nicolas pray for us."

Again in 1910 a St. Martin spoon and a St. Philip spoon of the year 1490 brought 1,000 guineas between them.

The quaintest set of "apostle" spoons appeared in the Sir Joseph Tichborne sale, 1914. Headed by one of the Master, the series (dated 1592) proceeded to include St. Peter and the following "worthies": King David, Judas Maccabeus and Joshua, Hector, Alexander, Julius Caesar, Charlemagne and King Arthur, ending with Guy of Warwick and Queen Elizabeth. This remarkable set realised £2,000.

The total of the St. Albans collection came to £3,077. Most of the pieces were engraved with the family arms and crest, and among the higher-priced George II silver were two plain sauceboats by Daniel Piers, 1750, £85 13s. 7d. at 48s an ounce.

HONG KONG TRADE RETURNS

(Continued from Page 1.)

In terms of local currency imports of merchandise in 1936 increased by 23.9 per cent. as compared with 1935 and 8.8 per cent. as compared with 1934; whilst exports increased by 28.5 per cent. as compared with 1935 and 7.9 per cent. as compared with 1934.

In terms of sterling value imports of merchandise decreased by 19.3 per cent. in 1936 as compared with 1935 and 10.1 per cent. as compared with 1934; whilst exports decreased by 15.3 per cent. in 1936 as compared with 1935 and 10.9 per cent. as compared with 1934.

Total movements of treasure amounted to \$216.5 millions in 1936 as compared with \$254.7 millions in 1935 and \$208.6 millions in 1934; imports accounting for \$72.7 millions as compared with \$38.8 millions in 1935 and \$76.1 millions in 1934, and exports \$143.8 millions as compared with \$216.0 millions in 1935 and \$128.5 millions in 1934. The following table shows total values of imports and exports of merchandise and also of treasure during the years 1935, 1936 and 1934:—

	1935	1936	1934
IMPORTS			
Merchandise	452,350,193	364,089,519	415,918,523
Treasure	72,728,408	39,763,811	73,080,869
Total	525,078,601	403,853,330	489,000,391
EXPORTS			
Merchandise	350,864,787	271,033,363	325,044,653
Treasure	143,815,433	128,476,528	128,476,528
Total	494,680,220	400,509,891	453,521,181

IMPORTS FROM JAPAN

Calculating in terms of local currency imports into the Colony from Japan in 1936 amounted to 12.8 per cent. of the total as compared with 11.8 per cent. in 1935; Netherlands East Indies 8.5 per cent. as compared with 6.2 per cent.; Siam 6.8 per cent. as compared with 5.8 per cent.; Germany 5.2 per cent. as compared with 4.5 per cent.; India 1.3 per cent. as compared with 1.2 per cent. and Belgium 1.5 per cent. as compared with 1.3 per cent.

The proportion of imports from the United Kingdom showed a decline in 1936 as compared with 1935, amounting to 6.4 per cent. as compared with 6.5 per cent.; China 33.8 per cent. as compared with 33.8 per cent.; French Indo-China 5.7 per cent. as compared with 8.9 per cent.; U.S.A. 7.1 per cent. as compared with 7.1 per cent.; British Malaya 1.8 per cent. as compared with 1.7 per cent.; Australia 2.0 per cent. as compared with 2.3 per cent.; and Other Countries 7.7 per cent. as compared with 8.9 per cent.

Exports to British Malaya increased from 6.3 per cent. of the total in 1935 to 7.3 per cent. of the total in 1936; Japan from 4.2 per cent. to 5.1 per cent.; U.S.A. from 7.8 per cent. to 8.1 per cent.; Siam from 3.9 per cent. to 4.1 per cent.; Netherlands East Indies from 2.3 per cent. to 2.8 per cent.; India from 1.3 per cent. to 1.4 per cent.; Philippines from 1.8 per cent. to 3.3 per cent.; and Other Countries from 9.8 per cent. to 13.5 per cent.; whilst the percentage of the exports taken by China fell from 49.0 per cent. in 1935 to 42.7 per cent. in 1936; French Indo-China from 5.3 per cent. to 5.0 per cent.; Macao from 4.9 per cent. to 3.7 per cent.; and Kwong Chow Wan from 3.4 per cent. to 3.0 per cent.

ENGLISH ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Hong Kong Branch of the English Association will hold the fourth meeting of the session 1936-1937 next Tuesday, February 2, in the Helena May Institute at 5.30 p.m. Mr. de Martin will take the chair, and Miss Frances Steel, M.A., will read a paper on "Elizabethan Trilliers." Teas should be ordered in advance from the Manageress. (Telephone 22180).

BRITISH NAVY BEGINS SCRAPPING WORK

Many Destroyers Dismantled

The British Navy began the New Year by scrapping a large block of tonnage, composed mainly of destroyers, which had become redundant, partly because of treaty obligations and partly on account of obsolescence.

No fewer than 32 destroyers and three submarines have been or are being scrapped. Among them are the flotilla leaders Shakespeare, Spenser, and Abdiel.

The last-named played a prominent part in the war, when she was equipped as a minelayer. On the eve of Jutland she laid mines off the Horns Reef, and during the German retreat after the battle the dreadnought Ostfriesland was badly damaged and a destroyer sunk by these mines.

CONDEMNED "SUB"

One of the three condemned submarines is the X 1, until recently the largest under-sea vessel in the world. She was built after the war at a cost of more than £1,000,000, but saw little service with the Fleet, and was always regarded as something of a "white elephant."

Authoritative figures are now available showing the exact strength of the British Commonwealth in cruisers, destroyers and submarines on January 1, 1937, after deducting all vessels scrapped or condemned. There are 15 8-in. gun cruisers, with a total of 144,220 tons, and 38 6-in. gun ships with an aggregate of 215,060 tons.

During the current year the total will be increased by five 9,000-ton cruisers and one of 5,200 tons, leaving 10 more cruisers under

construction. The total number of cruisers built and building is thus 69, of which 42 are of post-war design.

VESSELS TOO SLOW

In the White Paper on Defence, published last March, an establishment of 60 under-age and 10 over-age cruisers was proposed. Many new ships must be built in the next few years if this under-age total is to be reached.

The destroyer position is as follows: 72 post-war vessels of 93,370 tons and 81 war-built vessels of 91,145 tons, giving a grand total of 153 destroyers with an aggregate of 189,524 tons.

In addition there are under construction or on order 34 new destroyers, including 16 of the Tribal class, the largest ever built for the British Navy.

In Naval opinion, only the post-war destroyers are suitable for work with the Fleet, as the war-built vessels are too slow and, owing to their design and age, unable to stand up to very heavy weather. They are, however, regarded as useful for convoy and anti-submarine duty.

TYPEWRITING COMPETITION

PRIZE WINNERS ANNOUNCED

An Wai-man, obtaining 94 marks in the neatness and accuracy test, 84 in dictation test, and 86 in speed test, wins the silver shield donated by Dr. Arthur W. Woo.

Bank K. Yip, obtaining 93 marks in the neatness and accuracy test, 84 in dictation test, and 64 in speed test, wins a set of fountain pen and pencil donated by Dr. F. C. Tsang.

Wong Yung-paw, obtaining 88 marks in the neatness and accuracy test, 86 in dictation test, and 64 in speed test, wins the silver cup donated by Mr. Lee Shiu-hoi.

LOST HIS WAY IN THE DARK

Ku Kwai-fu, 18, newspaper hawker, was charged before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday for trespassing in Military ground, in Hankow Barracks, Shumshuipo on January 26. Defendant stated that he lost his way in the dark.

His Worship granted Inspector Chester Woods' request to remand the case for one week for medical examination. Defendant is believed to be abnormal.

Gifts For Dutch Princess

Princess Juliana's own palace here will be thrown open to enable the public to view the wedding presents she and Prince Bernhard have received, writes a correspondent from The Hague. They number more than 1,000, and have come from all over the world.

The public will pay a small entrance fee, the proceeds of which will go to gentleness in distress and to the widows and orphans of members of the palace staff.

I saw the presents. The English Royal family sent a charming gift in the form of a small antique silver-gilt mirror made in 1735 at Augsburg for William Prince of Orange, who the year before had married Anne, the eldest daughter of George II. The present is accompanied by a letter of good wishes signed by "Albert and Elizabeth; Mary and Harwood; Henry and Alice; George and Marina."

Queen Mary sent a single cup and a stand beautifully worked and engraved with a crowned "J." The Duke of Kent, who was present at the wedding, gave a silver cigarette box and a silver tray. His card says: "With all

best wishes, George." The Earl and Princess Alice of Athlone sent a tall reading lamp.

1,700 Diamonds in Bracelet. The most costly gift is a bracelet from the Netherlands East Indies consisting of 1,700 diamonds. Princess Juliana wore this on her wedding day.

Amid these presents stands an enormous golden flower bowl from the United Wards Club of the City of London, a splendid piece of work. Queen Elizabeth of the Belgians sent a magnificent fan of white ostrich feathers and tortoiseshell with a crowned "J" in diamonds. The King of the Belgians sent a large crystal bowl.

A Queen Anne table was presented by the English officers who were interned in Holland during the Great War. On it stands an Empire clock from the ex-Kaiser and his wife. The Dutch Minister in London and Mme. de Marens van Swinderen sent a beautiful ivory jewel case.

The British Women's Club at The Hague sent a Wedgwood table centre decorated with china roses. The Pope presented a gold medal in a case.

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Hong Kong, 27th Jan., 1937

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FREIGHT CONFERENCEFOREIGN AND CHINESE
SHIPPERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that as from the 1st MARCH, 1937, rates of freight from Hong Kong to Calcutta, Rangoon and Madras will be increased 15 per cent over current rates.

Schedules showing tariff rates as from the 1st MARCH, 1937, are now in course of preparation and will be issued shortly.

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Hong Kong, 26th Jan., 1937.

THE "STAR" FERRY
COMPANY, LIMITED.NOTICE TO
SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, the 5th February, 1937, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1936.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 29th January, 1937, to Friday, the 5th February, 1937, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 22nd Jan., 1937.

SUEZ CANAL
SHIPPING
LAST YEAR

Cairo, Jan. 27.
Five thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven ships passed through the Suez Canal in both directions during 1936 as compared with 5,892 in 1935 and 5,663 in 1934. Ships fees paid in 1936 amounted to 941.86 million francs as compared with 887.72 million francs in 1935. Five hundred and eight ships passed through the Canal in December paying 102 million francs fees.—*Transocean News Service.*

POPE CONTINUES
TO IMPROVE

Vatican City, Jan. 26.
After weeks of illness, and many occasions when officials and intimates at the Vatican all but despaired of his life, His Holiness the Pope now appears to be well on the way to recovery.
His health continues to show improvement. His heart is much stronger, and he has been resting of nights.—*Reuter.*

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Communism In China

As to what will be the outcome of the protracted negotiations between the leaders of Shensi and the Central Government no one can hope to estimate with any degree of accuracy, but one thing is very apparent, namely, that the rebellion at Sianfu, in North-west China, is both more widespread and more deeply rooted than any stroke by an ambitious war lord.

Indeed, Chang was more conservative than his troops, which, since his departure, have achieved one point in their programme by forming an open alliance with the Communists.

General Chiang Kai-shek, now restored to the head of the Nanking Government, may at any moment order his troops to march against the rebels, so unsatisfactory have been the "truce" arrangements timed to terminate (roughly) yesterday.

This would mean civil war, and though the Nanking Government would probably win at a cost it would not cure the unrest which is at the root of the trouble.

It is true that in the present instance hatred of Japan plays as large a part as agrarian discontent, and that the leaders of the rebellion are exiles driven out of Manchuria, but it is the hopeless poverty of the peasant farmers which gives such movements popular support and which keeps Communism alive in China. Nearly 80 per cent of Chinese are peasant farmers living on the land, and so long as they are discontented no military strength alone can give stability to China. Chiang Kai-shek has done much to restore unity to the nation, but it is being made more manifest each day that he has not relieved the burden on the peasants. Nothing but drastic land reform can do this, and land reform is difficult for a Government based on the support and loyalty of the land-owning classes.

For the Communists, on the other hand, it is the first point on their programme which is put into practice in the areas over which they rule. It is not surprising that, in these circumstances, Communism remains a powerful attraction to the peasants.

BOARD OF
EDUCATION

The 108th meeting of the Board of Education was held on Tuesday. There were present:—Director of Education, Mr. G. R. Sayer, B.A., Chairman; Inspector of English Schools, Mr. J. Ralston, M.A.; Inspector of Vernacular Schools, Mr. Y. F. Law, B.A.; Rev. Fr. G. Byrne, S.J., Ph.D.; Hon. Mr. D. D'Almeida, Castro, Jr., B.A.; Sir W. W. Hornell, Kt., C.I.E., M.A., LL.D.; Capt. G. W. F. Kimm, A.E.C.; Rev. C. B. R. Sargent, M.A.; Rev. F. Short; Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, C.B.E., LL.D.; Mr. B. Wylle; Secretary, Mr. E. J. Edwards.

The Board considered a Memorandum which had been circulated by the Director designed to improve the system of subsidies to Vernacular Schools, urban and rural.
The Board unanimously supported the proposals.

DEATH OF
A GREAT
SOLDIER

Founder Of The
"Reichswehr"
COL. GEN. HANS VON
SEECKT

BY
W.L.

On December 27th, Colonel-General Hans von Seeckt, passed away, after a short illness.

A few months before, on April 22nd, General von Seeckt, on the occasion of his 70th birthday, was created Commander of Infantry Regiment 67, the same Regiment which had seen, some 50 years previously, the beginning of his career. This regiment, which was the first regiment in the new army, bears his name, and thus gives outward sign to the honour paid him. He is called the "Creator of the Reichswehr."

After having passed the usual training of a pre-destined German officer—his father had been general before him—von Seeckt was 47 years of age, when in 1913, as Lieutenant-Colonel, he was appointed Chief of Staff of an army corps, in which capacity he went into the world war. After the battles of the Marne, Aisne and Soissons-Yvilly, he was appointed Chief of Staff to General Mackensen, organising the Galician, East-Polish and Serbian campaigns.

In 1916 he was appointed Chief of Staff of Archduke Karl's army, and organised the Rumanian campaign. At the end of the war he was Chief of Staff of the Turkish Army. After the war he was in charge of the frontier guard, Chief of the troop department, and up to the dissolution of this instrument. Chief of the German General Staff.

In 1920, after the Versailles Treaty had been signed, after the Conference of Spa, he was placed in charge of the newly founded Reichswehr. For six years and six months he was Commander-in-Chief of the little German army of 100,000 men.

In a time of chaos, when any military activity seemed without use, Seeckt, in gigantic reorganisation, succeeded in creating in this little army a spirit, free from politics, truly military in the best sense of the word. He gave the army the consciousness of its value, building it up on the three basic fundamentals "Duty, Honour, Comradeship."

When, in autumn 1923, political constellations made von Seeckt's resignation inevitable, he did not retire into private life, but wrote his "Ideas of a soldier."

Later, General von Seeckt spent one year in China, studying the army of Marshal Chiang, and giving the Chinese Military Authorities the opportunity to profit from his experience and vast knowledge.

On the death of General von Seeckt, Chancellor Hitler ordered a state funeral to be granted him, and sent a cordial telegram of condolence to Frau von Seeckt. Among the many messages of sympathy received by the widow, was also a message from Marshal and Madame Chiang, as well as one from the former Czar of Bulgaria, Ferdinand of Koburg, who wrote his message: "It is a great shock to me, to hear of the death of my former comrade-in-arms and good friend. His services rendered during the war will never be forgotten by Bulgaria or myself."

SILVER JUBILEE
STAMPS

London, Jan. 27.
Two pence half-penny stamps issued on the occasion of the silver jubilee of late King George V brought a record price of more than £50. The colour of the stamps was Prussian blue which was erroneously printed in some sets. These stamps should not have come into circulation. By mistake, however, a few of the stamps were sold to the public.—*Transocean News Service.*

HOME RUGBY

London, Jan. 27.
The following were the results of Rugby Union League matches played to-day:—
Royal Naval College, Greenwich 3, Portsmouth Services 35; Cambridge University 25, Guy's Hospital 10.—*Reuter.*

THE LATEST IN
ADVERTISING

Caldbeck, MacGregor
Issue Pamphlet

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This latest effort is in the form of a pamphlet exactly the same size as was issued last year. The cover of the folder is of attractive design with a cocktail shaker as the main object of the composition.

Within the folder is told the story about a Caldbeck and MacGregor cocktail party, concocted in an extremely clever manner. The "personages" at the party introduced the famous Gin sisters, Boo and Fly, Rose Lime, Colonel Gimlet, Count Martini, Johnnie Walker, Mr. Pimm and Major "Horsey" Neck. Spread around the story are humorous caricatures in red black and white, depicting the famous drinks obtainable at Caldbecks.

The back cover bears the crest of Caldbeck, MacGregor's.

The pamphlet is amusing and, at the same time, a most novel departure in advertising.

ANNUAL DINNER
DANCEUniversity Alumni
Association

The Hong Kong University Alumni Association held its first annual function in the form of a dinner dance at the Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel last evening. There was a large attendance of about 200.

Among those present were Prof. and Mrs. C. A. Middleton Smith, Miss Middleton Smith, Prof. & Mrs. W. I. Gerrard, Mr. Man Shu Sing, the former Director of the Public Works Department, Canton, Mr. and Mrs. Villalobos, Canton, Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Chau, Dr. S. W. Phoon, and all the officials of the Alumni Association including the President, Mr. H. M. Siu, the Vice-President, Dr. Li Shu Pul.

Others present were:—Miss A. Ho, Dr. N. P. Karanjia, Dr. K. C. Cheng, Dr. Y. P. Ng, Dr. F. I. Tsung, Mr. Y. L. Pau, Mr. A. T. Lee, Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, Mr. Wong Kwok, Mr. Chan Cheuk-wa, Dr. C. W. Lee, Mr. Y. K. Mok, Miss E. Thom, Mr. F. I. Zimmer, Mr. S. K. Lo, Dr. T. Y. Li, Dr. Eva Ho Tung, Mr. H. N. Chung, Dr. D. K. Samy, Dr. Tsang Fook-cho, Mr. H. E. Biddow, Mr. Fung Yui Shiu, Mrs. Florence Lal, Mr. K. T. Pao, and many others.

BRITISH FOREIGN
POLICY IN
FAR EAST

London, Jan. 27.
Asked by Mr. Day in the House of Commons, whether in view of the effect of Japanese foreign policy on British interests in China, he would consider making a further general statement on the British foreign policy in the Far East, Lord Cranborne, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied he had not thought such a general statement was necessary in the existing circumstances but would bear the suggestion in mind. He assured Mr. Day that a statement would be made when a suitable moment occurred.—*Reuter.*



Another view showing the picturesque surroundings of the new Jubilee Reservoir at Shing Mun.

SENSATIONAL
EVIDENCE

Alexander Stein
On Trial

ALLEGED SABOTAGE
IN RUSSIA

Moscow, Jan. 26.
Sensational evidence was given at the trial to-day by a German engineer, Alexander Stein, who has been employed as a specialist at the Kusbass coal mines.

He declared that other German engineers had tried to enlist his aid in wrecking and spying. They had appealed to his patriotism, he said, urging: "You are here to work for Germany, not to help the Bolsheviks."

When he had objected he was called a coward and traitor. Finally he was persuaded by the official representative of his country, at Novosibirsk, to undertake "anti-activity" and was promised help if, through failure, he should find himself in difficulties.

The fact that the name of the German engineer, Sticking, was mentioned in the evidence leads to the belief that the prosecution is attempting to link with the present trial the 35 Germans who have been under arrest in Russia since last November.

SPIRITED CLASH

There was a spirited clash between the Prosecutor, Vishinsky and Judge Ulrich when the latter refused to allow Strolloff, one of the accused, to give evidence with regard to his relations with the German Consul at Novosibirsk.

This Consul is alleged to have instructed Strolloff to sabotage the coal industry of that area and prevent it competing with German mines.

After an emphatic protest from Vishinsky, Judge Ulrich allowed Strolloff to give his evidence, but warned him not to give the name or nationality of the foreign representative involved.—*Reuter.*

JAPANESE FUNDS

Later.
Livshitz and Kynazoff, two of the accused, who are both Directors of the Soviet Railways, gave evidence that they had received 35,000 roubles and other funds from Japanese agents to carry on Trotskyite activities to wreck railways and assassinate Stalin as well as M. Postichieff, leading official in the Ukraine, and M. Kossolov, a member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party.

A relief to the tension of the trial was provided by Arnold, one of the seventeen defendants, who entertained the Court for three hours while he recited incidents in his varied career. Arnold stated that he had been an American citizen, an actor in Hollywood and then a soldier of fortune. After numerous escapes he returned to Russia and joined the Trotsky opposition party.

Arnold corroborated previous evidence, according to which he had acted as chauffeur for the car used by the Commissar, M. Molotov, for an inspection of the Ural mines in 1933. Arnold admitted that he planned to drive the car over a cliff in order to kill Molotov, but at the last moment his nerve failed him.—*Reuter.*

MANOEUVRES AT
SINGAPORE

London, Jan. 27.
Although 28 warships and about 100 aeroplanes will take part in the extensive manoeuvres at Singapore next week. Most of the warships have been sent from the China Station while aeroplanes will come chiefly from British air units in India and Iraq.—*Transocean News Service.*

HONG KONG RIFLE
ASSOCIATION
Spoon And Practice Shoots

At the week-end Spoon and Practice Shoot held by the Hong Kong Rifle Association last Saturday afternoon, by the courtesy of the Naval Authorities, on the range at Stonecutters, shooting took place under average conditions, the usual "Santal" wind making itself felt, particularly at the longer distances, while the haze, which is a distinctive feature of this range, made matters somewhat difficult at 600 yards.

Between twenty and thirty members took part in the shoot, the small numbers being chiefly due to the fact that, at this time of the year, it is necessary to start the shooting at 2 o'clock sharp which debars many business members from attending owing to the time which it takes to reach Stonecutters Island from Hong Kong and Kowloon. As will be seen from the scores given below the winner in the S.R. (b) Class was Sig. W. Edwards, R.N., the handicap spoon being won by Mr. Lakeman of the Dockyard Rifle Club. Owing to the very few entries in the S.R. (a) Class the Association is precluded by its Rules from awarding a Spoon on this occasion.

At the mid-week shoot held yesterday afternoon on the Army Ranges at Kowloon City, it was found necessary to use all the target accommodation available on Nos. 1 and 2 ranges in order that shooting might cease before darkness set in. This fact augurs well for the Prize Meeting to be held in April, since many members of the garrison are still in camp, while, with one or two exceptions only, the members of the Association who belong to the Senior Service are away from the Colony at the present time.

On the whole, shooting conditions were good, but as is so often the case on the range at Stonecutters, haze became very noticeable at the longer ranges, which accounted for many scores being lower than would normally be the case. On this occasion the Spoon winners using the "1914" rifle were C.P.O. Fellow, R.N., who won the "net" spoon, and Mr. Haigh, of the Dockyard Rifle Club, who won the handicap spoon. Once again, there were insufficient entries to allow of a spoon being awarded for those competing in the S.R. (a) Class.

At the Council Meeting which is to be held on Friday evening next, the members of that body are faced with the heaviest agenda which has yet come before them. Not only are there twenty-three items to be considered, but in addition the Annual Report and Balance Sheet have to be read, and passed, before presentation at the Annual General Meeting shortly to be held. It may here

be stated that owing to the absence of so many members in camp or elsewhere, it has been decided to hold this Meeting in February, when the majority of the individual full members will have the opportunity of attending, if they so desire.

There will be a week-end shoot on the Naval range at Stonecutters either on Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning next, but at the time of going to press, it has not been found possible to ascertain whether the range will be available on the latter day. Members, however, will be notified in these columns to-morrow (Friday) morning as to the actual day decided upon.

The leading scores made on the afternoon of Saturday last and yesterday are as follows:—

Results of the shoot held on Saturday afternoon last.

S.R. (b)
A.H. 200 500 600 Ttl.
Sig. W. Edwards 2 29 34 33 96
Sgt. Blandford scr. 33 33 30 96
Mr. H. C.
Johnson 1 30 33 32 95
Cpl. E573
P. Singh 3 31 31 32 94
Mr. H. W. Cory 2 32 31 31 94
Mr. G. H.
Lakeman 3 31 34 29 94
Cpl. B763
C. Singh 4 29 33 31 93
Mr. C. Watson 1 30 32 31 93
C.S.M. Grinham 2 30 30 31 91
Arm. Cpl.
Butterfield 1 31 31 29 91
Rfn. Managh 5 31 34 28 91
S.I.M. Hill scr. 30 31 29 90
There were insufficient S.R. (a) entries to allow of a spoon being awarded.

Results of the shoot held yesterday afternoon.

S.R. (b)
A.H. 200 500 600 Ttl.
C.P.O. Fellow scr. 35 32 31 98
Sgt. M. C. Jones scr. 31 33 32 96
Sgt. Blandford scr. 28 34 33 95
Mr. H. C.
Johnson 1 33 33 29 95
Sig. W. Edwards 2 29 32 32 93
C.S.M. Grinham 2 32 31 29 92
Mr. Haigh 10 33 30 29 92
Rfn. Managh 5 31 30 29 90
L/Cpl. Trimble 6 31 31 28 90
A.H.—Ass'n handicap.

—Denotes that the S.R. (b) rifle was used. All other competitors used the "1914" rifle.

—Denotes the winner of the net spoon.

—Denotes the winner of the handicap spoon.

There were insufficient S.R. (a) entries to allow of a spoon being awarded.

NOTE:—The handicap of each winner has been reduced by one point, as shown. This procedure applies to all S.R. (a) and S.R. (b) spoon shoots.

THE SLOVAKIAN PROBLEM

Fight For Cultural Independence

POPULARITY OF PATER HLINKA

Much has, in the past months, been said about the problems of the Czechoslovakian Republic, about the "minority" of three million Germans, who, under the leadership of Konrad Henlein, are desperately fighting for their cultural independence. There is, however, still another problem. The Slovaks, who were to have been an independent, "if integral" part of the republic, are vehemently expressing how unsatisfied they are with the present state of affairs.

In the recent Slovakian Congress in Pstyan, the venerable Slovakian leader, Pater Hlinka, formulated the Slovakian demands: "Recognition of Slovakia as an independent nation" and "Fight against World-Bolshevism."

Pater Hlinka reminded his hearers of the Treaty of Pittsburgh, under which, in 1918, the fundamental rights of the republic were laid. In this treaty, concluded between the Czechs and the Slovaks, it was formally recognised that "Slovakia will have her own administration, her own parliament and her own courts of justice. Slovakian will be the official language in the schools, administration and public life." Pater Hlinka stressed that in no point the Government of Prague had lived up to the promises made in this treaty. By

way of Agrarian Reform the Slovakian industry has been paralysed, and Czechian peasants have settled in Slovakia. The Czechian language has been enforced in Slovakian schools, and Czechian officials sent to Slovakia.

The Slovakian leader stressed that now, as never before, "was there reason for the Slovaks to fight, as Prague had entered into an alliance with Moscow, and Slovakia would be the first part of the country to be overrun. "History and common sense are proof that, once Russians are in our country, they will never leave it," stressed the speaker.

In an interview to pressmen after his address, Pater Hlinka said: "In view of our attitude as Catholics, Nationalists and 'Bourgeois' we can, as a matter of course, recognise no alliance with Russia, as in that event, Communism could not be kept out of the country much longer."

Banners, with the slogans "Down with Soviet Russia," "Down with World-Bolshevism," and "Hlinka—Hlinka—that is the new direction!" were carried around.

Whilst thousands of Slovaks enthusiastically cheered, Pater Hlinka in Pstyan, President Benes, when making a tour of Slovakia, was accorded only official and cool receptions in the country.—(W.L.)



Washington, Jan. 27.—Mr. Walter Runciman, President of the British Board of Trade, had a further conference with Mr. Roper, United States Secretary for Commerce, Mr. Cordell Hull subsequently announced that he and Mr. Runciman discussed world trade on broad terms.—Reuter.

PERMANENT REGENCY IN GREAT BRITAIN

Message From The King

London, Jan. 28. The institution of a permanent regency in Great Britain was forecast at the end of question-time in the House of Commons to-day by Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, who read a message from His Majesty the King. The King's message declared that his late father and predecessor on the throne, since his illness in 1923, had intended to request Parliament to deal with the inconvenience likely to result from the absence of statutory provision to deal with the incapacity of a sovereign, the accession of a sovereign during his or her infancy or the absence of a sovereign abroad.

His Majesty therefore recommended consideration of a measure making permanent provision to secure that purpose. Mr. Baldwin moved the Address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, which was carried unanimously, and proclaimed his intention of implementing the royal recommendations. A bill was thereupon introduced.

Seconding the Regency Bill, Sir John Simon, the Home Secretary said it was understood in Government circles that the measure was purely domestic, and did not necessitate complementary legislation by the Dominions. The Bill deals solely with the question of a regency and not with succession to the throne.—Reuter.

KING'S MESSAGE

London, Jan. 28. With traditional ceremony, the Prime Minister presented to the Speaker of the House of Commons a message from the King "signed by His Majesty's own hand," which recommended that the House should consider contingencies which might hereafter arise and should make provision as will in any event secure the exercise of Royal authority. After the message had been read, the Prime Minister announced that he should accordingly introduce a Regency Bill to-morrow. It is usual when, as on the present occasion, the Heir to the Throne is under 19 years of age, to make special provision by a Regency Act for the exercise of royal functions, but the King's message recalled that "during my beloved father's reign it became necessary to make temporary provisions to meet difficulties which arose in relation to the exercise of royal authority at the time of his illness in 1923. My father had, after his illness in of his last illness in January, 1936, 1923, given much thought to the inconvenience which resulted or might result from the absence of statutory provision for dealing with any incapacity which might

Domestic Trade Revival Has Come To Stay

London, Jan. 27. The annual meetings of shareholders in leading banks held at this time of the year will provide opportunity for leading bankers to review the current trend of finance and commerce. So far, there seems to be a general agreement among them that the present domestic trade revival has come to stay and is indeed likely to

WESTMINSTER BANK ANNUAL MEETING

Deflationary Policy Deplored By Chairman

NO DIFFICULTY TO OBTAIN CONTINUANCE OF CHEAP MONEY

London, January 27. Speaking at the annual meeting of the Westminster Bank, the chairman, Mr. Rupert Beckett affirmed that commodity prices so far owe very little, their increases not being due to speculation.

Though the prices of some commodities had recently risen more than the statistical positions warranted, there was no convincing evidence that a boom was yet developing since there was no shortage of commodities such as those usually associated with previous booms and the rise was brought about in the healthiest possible way, namely, the improvement of balance between supply and demand and the reduction of the colossal stocks hitherto depressing the markets. Mr. Beckett

thought that those seeking a control in price advances were prematurely apprehensive, and that control itself did not limit dangers.

The only control now is by contraction of a credit involving deflationary policy which Mr. Beckett considered would be deplorable. There would be no difficulty to obtain the continuance of cheap money if the position warranted since the authorities have ample power to expand the credit base as much as was deemed desirable.—Reuter.



London, Jan. 27.—The Lord Chancellor, Viscount Hailsham took his seat yesterday on Woolsack for the first time since last July. He received congratulations of many members of the House of Lords on his recovery from illness.—British Wireless Service.

GROWING SHORTAGE OF DRINKING WATER

Fears Of Serious Epidemics

Washington, Jan. 26. The growing shortage of drinking water and the appalling sanitary conditions in the flood area are arousing grave fears of serious epidemics.

The known dead now total 132, but the number is possibly greater, since many communities are completely isolated and details of the casualties are therefore not available from these areas. The damage so far is estimated at \$300,000,000.

Volunteer workers are feverishly erecting sandbag bulkheads on top of levees in South-East Missouri, as there are indications that the disastrous crest of the Mississippi is approaching, threatening to test to the limit the \$1,000,000 levee system in the Lower Mississippi, erected after the tragic floods of 1927.

Shipments of serum and anti-toxins are being sped by aeroplane from Washington to the Boston and Philadelphia flood areas.

A message from Cincinnati states that the raging Ohio River threatens to drive 200,000 more people to refugee camps, thus bringing the total to above 700,000.

The peak of the flooding is expected at Cairo during the weekend. All women and children, as well as the infirm, are being evacuated. It is feared that the city will be completely submerged if the Mississippi flows over the sea wall.—Reuter.

14 DROWNED

New York, Jan. 28. It is learned here that a barge loaded with refugees from the flooded city of Paducah, Kentucky, capsized in the navigating of the city's streets and 14 lives were lost.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

ist papers of the Inter-Allied Powers, and, at a conference in Bern in December, 1915, demanded that the German "Proletariat" unite with the international proletariat against German authorities. He was one of the first "Germans" to publicly write about "Germany's responsibility of the World War."

After the war, Karl Radek took over active leadership in the Berlin Separatist movement "Spartakus," and organised the Communist Rule of Terror in Saxony and Bavaria.

It was only after the establishment of the Reichswehr and the beginning of order in Germany that Karl Sobelsohn-Radek left the country in order to settle in Russia, for the recognition of which he had also actively organised.

Amongst the authors of a book called "The Trotsky Tragedy" Karl Radek, Lenin, Stalin and Sokolnikoff were to be found. The real name of Sokolnikoff, former Ambassador of the Soviet Union to Great Britain, is Brilliant.

LEAGUE COUNCIL MEETING

Committee On Raw Materials

BRITAIN REPRESENTED BY SIR F. LEITH ROSS

London, Jan. 9. The League Council last night adopted the report of Colonel Beck and accepted the recommendation to appoint a fact-finding Committee on raw materials. The report reminded the Council that in view of the keen controversy it provokes it was of importance that an impartial and qualified body should carry out the necessary inquiry without delay. The scope of the inquiry is to be left to the Committee.

It was thought that if the Committee was to do useful work it must not be too large and it was therefore decided to set up a central body the chief task of which should be to bring out the main features of the problem leaving separate the study of various individual aspects, such as protection of and trade in each raw material of fundamental importance, to later stage.

During a brief discussion Mr. Eden referred to the great interest taken by the British Government in the problem as a factor in the development of economic co-operation between the nations in the interests of peace. It was de-

cided to leave the date of the first meeting to the discretion of the Secretary General. A provisional list of members contains the names of many economists of international repute. Britain will be represented by Sir Frederick Leith Ross, the Government's Economic Adviser.—British Wireless.

ALEXANDRETTA DISPUTE AGREEMENT

London, Jan. 9. At its meeting this afternoon the League Council will deal with questions of the Alexandretta, Danzig and Spanish refugees. It is believed that progress has been achieved on all these issues. At the meeting held last night when the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Eden was present the French and Turkish delegations reached an agreement on an outstanding issue of the Alexandretta dispute by which Turkish will be recognised as the official language in Sanjak and selection of the second official language was left to the League Council. It is anticipated final settlement of whole question will be approved by the Council to-day.—British Wireless.

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Aerial Bombardment Of Suiyuan Frontier

Heavy Casualties Reported

Kuetsui, Jan. 27. Aerial bombardment of the Suiyuan frontier by bombers of the Mongolian irregulars has resulted in heavy casualties to the civil population and extensive damages to property. No exact figures are available, but it is believed that about thirty persons were killed by the heavy bombardment.

A Nanking official report stated that the Suiyuan provincial troops have the situation well in hand and the coming invasion does give any anxiety to the Suiyuan command.

General Wang Ying, the commander of the Mongol irregulars, is dead, a Central News Agency report stated to-day. To prevent any unfavourable reactions on the Mongol troops one divisional commander named Chang Wan-ching was disguised as Wang Ying so as to deceive the troops that Wang is still alive.

Several high commanders of the Mongol and Manchukuo troops are now in Changchun, capital of Manchukuo, to discuss plans of the coming drive on Suiyuan.—Union News.

GUARD FRUSTRATES PLOT TO KILL STALIN

Berlin, Jan. 27. A plot to kill Stalin was discovered on January 22, a Moscow despatch to the newspaper "Angriff" reports. Two electricians were surprised when trying to place a time-bomb in a room adjacent to Stalin's study. Lev Shapiro, a member of the special Kremlin guard who frustrated the attempt was decorated with the order of the Red Star by the Soviet Union's executive committee on Tuesday. The committee's decree states that Shapiro distinguished himself by fighting counter-revolutionary activities. In connection with the latest plot Stalin changes his studio daily so that only the closest entourage knows where the dictator works. Numerous Kremlin officials were arrested or interrogated.—Transocean News Service.

Evacuation Of Every Living Being

MISSISSIPPI FEARS

Washington, Jan. 27. The Army are preparing to evacuate every living being for 50 miles on either side of the Mississippi from Cairo and Illinois to New Orleans in anticipation of a much more serious flood than has yet occurred.—Reuter.

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Mui Tsai Commission Report Will Be Published On March 1

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London, January 27.

In the House of Commons to-day, replying to Miss Rathbone, Mr. W. Ormsby-Gore, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, stated that the investigating Commission for mui tsai in Hong Kong had signed their report on January 23. The report had now been sent to the printers and he proposed that it be published in London, Hong Kong and Shanghai on March 1.

Miss Rathbone remarked that she hoped that such portions of the evidence that was not confidential be also published. Mr. Ormsby-Gore replied that he was making arrangements that all the evidence, except what witnesses had asked be treated as confidential shall be made available to all people who wished to have copies. This would not be published in the report because the report was already likely to run to 350 closely printed pages.—Reuter.

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SEAFORTHS DRAW
WITH R.W.F.Fine Soccer Game
At Sookunpoo

BY BEN MEDIGAN

The important league clash between Seaforths and Fusiliers drew a large crowd to Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon. While the game was not of an exciting nature it proved very interesting—a division of points being a fitting result.

The game opened briskly, Talbot testing Thompson with a hard drive. Maply broke away on Seaforths left and crossed to Miller who brought Rowlands to his knees with a low drive. At the other end Talbot was proving a source of worry to the Seaforths defence and one of his drives called for quick action on the part of Thompson. Seaforths now pressed and McGuigan struck the upright with a low drive—Rowlands being unslighted. Williamson shone in defence for Seaforths some of his duels with Talbot being quite thrilling.

MIDFIELD PLAY

Play was confined to midfield for a period—opposing defences ruling the day. Ayres was very aggressive on the Seaforths right—only a quick tackle by Taylor prevented him from scoring. Talbot caused Thompson to bring off a marvelous save when he drove hard for the far corner of the net. Fusiliers continued to press McCusker proving a stumbling block in their progress. In a Seaforth raid, Maply forced a corner on the left, Miller heading the resultant kick-over. The latter almost scored when Webster miskicked, his shot just skirting the wrong side of the upright. Both teams were inclined to keep the ball in the air too much, when ground passing would have brought better results.

From "hands" against Wheeler, Miller drove high over. During Welsh attacks Talbot was proving a rare schemer, his wing partner often failing to co-operate. For Seaforths—Ayres provided a thrill with a perfect first time drive from 35 yards out—which grazed the upright. Ding-dong play continued, half time arriving with the score sheet blank.

SECOND HALF

The first incident of note in the second half was a good run down the right by Ayres, his passing cross causing Rowlands some anxiety. At the other end Coakley caught the Highlanders defence napping, and dashed through in real "Ted Drake" style to leave Thompson helpless with a hard drive, which glanced in off the far upright. This reverse added new life to the Seaforths, but McGuigan was the only forward who really caused Rowlands any undue exertion. Eventually his aggressiveness resulted in Seaforths equalising—when he dashed between the Welsh backs to head past the surprised Rowlands.

EXCHANGES EVEN

On resuming the exchanges continued to be fairly even, Miller once having a good shot from a free kick go narrowly past. Fusiliers retaliated, Coakley being prominent, his dashing methods proving a source of worry to the Seaforths defence. Thompson saved a certain goal by diving at Sullivan's feet, when the latter was preparing to shoot from close in. The final whistle sounded, with the score even, which was a true reflection on the run of play.

Seaforths:—Thompson, Webster, Steele, Williamson, McCusker, Cooke, Ayres, Dunachie, Miller, McGuigan, Maply.
Fusiliers:—Rowlands, Wheeler, Gazley, Evans, Wanklyn, Taylor, Parry, Coakley, Sullivan, Talbot, McRoberts.

SECOND DIVISION

Seaforths Win On Time

Both sides enjoyed an equal share of the exchanges at the opening. Jamison missed badly for Seaforths from a cross by Higgins. Seaforths enjoyed a spell of attacking, but were poor finishers. Higgins was very prominent on the left for the Seaforths. Livingstone had bad luck with a good first time effort from 30 yards out—the ball just going over. Samson missed another "sitter". Eventually Jamison netted but was ruled offside. Seaforths were awarded a penalty but Livingstone shot straight at Saunders who had no difficulty in saving. Fusiliers enjoyed a fair share of the play in the second half but their forwards failed miserably.

In one of their breakaways, Ordley almost scored—and Crestley had hard lines with a fast drive. Seaforths now took

LEAGUE SOCCER
FIXTURESRevised Card For
Week-End

The Hong Kong Football Association have issued the following revised League fixture list for the coming week-end:—

SATURDAY

Recreio v. Seaforth H.
Eastern v. South China "A"
Royal Ulster Rifles v. Club
South China "B" v. Navy
R.W.F. v. C.A.A.
St. Joseph's v. Kowloon

SECOND DIVISION

R.A. "S" v. Seaforth H.
R.A. "L" v. Police "C"
Eastern v. R.E.
R.U.R. v. Club
South China v. Navy
Kowloon "C" v. Kowloon
R.W.F. v. C.A.A.

THIRD DIVISION

Recreio v. Seaforth H.
Liga v. Kwong Wah
R.A.M.C. v. R.A.O.C.

SUNDAY

R.A.S.C. v. R.E.
Police "E" v. St. Joseph's
Police "C" v. Kowloon R.
R.W.F. v. R.A.F.

INTERPORT TRIAL

Possibles v. Probables

JUDITH ALLEN
"KNOCKS OUT"
JACKIE DOYLESurprised And
Dismayed

His fit zinn, of brawn and muscle sagged dejectedly into a chair when I told handsome Jack Doyle, ex-Guardsman heavy-weight boxer, that his wife, Judith Allen, the film star, had stated in Hollywood her intention of filing a divorce suit against him, writes a Home correspondent.

Then he drew himself to his full height, broadened out his massive shoulders and said quietly: "I am surprised and dismayed."

"I didn't know a woman could do a thing like that to a man at such a time"—Jack is in training at Windsor for his "come-back" fight with Alf Robinson at Wembley on January 19.

"Hurt And Dejected"
"But I'm going to pull through. Make no mistake. I'm going on with this fight."

When Jack returned to England from Hollywood on New Year's Eve he was full of his plans for his come-back. And he was excited at the prospect of bringing Judith over here next month when her next picture was finished.

Miss Allen had then withdrawn divorce proceedings.

A friend of his told me: "Jack rang Miss Allen on the transatlantic phone the other day. He had sent her fare to come over, and was expecting that she would be delighted."

"He came away from the phone hurt and dejected. She had told him she was 'through.' But he didn't realise she meant it till this news came through."

MICHAEL BEARY
WEDSWell-Known Jockey's
Three Guests

Michael Beary, the jockey, was married on January 13, at the Church of Our Lady of the Assumption and St. Gregory, Warwick-street, W. His bride was Miss Evelyn Mayricke Herbert, 22-year-old daughter of Col. Percy Herbert, D.O.O., of 41, Cumberland-mansions, Upper George-street, W. The wedding was arranged at short notice, and was attended by only three guests. They were Mrs. N. E. Muddford, Mr. Joseph Coyne, and Mr. P. Herbert. Several people were asked to leave the church. The ceremony was performed by Father John Caulfield, of Finner, who organises the Donkey Derby, and is known as the jockey's priest. He is a friend of Mr. Beary who is 40.

command and after a series of misses Samson eventually netted, almost on full time. This goal proved the only one in a moderate game.

FIRST TIME IN
30 YEARSC.B. Fry Talks To
Old Rival

For the first time for thirty years Mr. C. B. Fry has had a conversation with the Hon. Joseph Darling, an old rival cricket captain and now a member of the Legislative Council of Tasmania. It was an extraordinary conversation.

Mr. Fry and Mr. Harris were motoring from Launceston to Hobart, and halted at a chalet 3000ft. up above a picturesque lake. Mr. Fry strode in majestically and ordered a flagon of hock. But the chalet had no licence and could only offer coffee.

"Better phone Joe Darling about it," Mr. Harris suggested. "I will, replied Mr. Fry. 'Here and now.'"

He seized the telephone and put in a trunk call to Mr. Darling, 100 miles away in Hobart.

"WHAT ABOUT IT?"

"This is Charles Fry speaking. I want to know why there is no licence for the Rainbow Chalet at Flagarra. Here have I travelled 13,000 miles to this delectable spot and now I can't drink to your health or Tasmania! What about it? If you can't do anything I shall have to ring the Prime Minister."

Mr. Darling was amused. Across the wire came a peal of loud laughter, waning into a gurgle, then silence. The line had been cleared.

WALES PREPARES

Injury To Wooller

One of the features of the final Welsh Trial match was the way in which the players, and especially the Probables backs, triumphed over the unpleasant conditions, writes a Home correspondent. A thin rain was driven before a strong wind, and the soft ground was soon cut up badly. Yet, in spite of all, the Probables' backs handled with splendid precision. They had much more than accuracy, however. Their combined play was characterised by excellent judgment.

H. Tanner and W. H. T. Davies, at half-back, were outstanding, but the Possibles' pair, D. Parker and G. H. Davies, of London Welsh, were also of international class. Idrwal Rees, playing at centre-three-quarter for Probables, was at all times clever and intelligent, but the best three-quarter on the field, W. Wooller, was hurt early in the game and retired at the interval. His place being taken by Glyn James (Bridgend), who was quite good, if not auspicious. A. Bassett was the best of the four wing-three-quarters on view.

Jenkins Late

As V. T. Jenkins was late in arriving, Stone played at full-back in the first half and performed brilliantly, but afterwards the old international played a sound game. The Probables' had the worst of the play in the second half, so that Jenkins had a good deal to do in defence, and he did it well. T. O. James was also a sound full-back for the Possibles.

Two grand packs of forwards were excellent, both in the scrummage and in the loose, with the Probables best in the open throughout and the Possibles the better in heeling after the interval. Indeed the Probables failure to heel in the second half was a disturbing feature.

There were several last-minute changes in both sides. The most notable absentee from the Possibles was V. G. K. Jenkins, who had missed his train. Conditions were wretched, and the crowd was not more than 5,000.

Probables had the advantage of a strong wind and almost immediately took the lead. Forwards rushed when the ball went loose, and A. Bassett picked up and crossed far out, Stone converting from a difficult angle. Soon afterwards a clever opening by Hadyn Tanner paved the way for passing by Idrwal Rees and H. M. Hopkin, which resulted in Rees crossing. Stone again converting. T. O. James was playing soundly, at full-back for Probables; but Probables further improved their position when A. R. Taylor dribbled nearly half the length of the field to send A. M. Rees over. Stone converted. Before the interval A. M. Rees added a further try, but Elvet Jones cut through with a fine individual try for Possibles.

HOME FOOTBALL
FORECAST

(BY FORWARD)

The following are the Home League and Cup fixtures to be played on Saturday, January 30, 1937. The teams in bold type are tipped to win:—

FIRST DIVISION	
CHARLTON	215 v. Middlesbrough.
LIVERPOOL	60 v. Leeds U.
SECOND DIVISION	
BLACKBURN	100 v. Newcastle.
Bradford C.	175 v. FULHAM.
THIRD DIVISION (South)	
BOURNEMOUTH	110 v. Northampton.
BRIGHTON	120 v. Bristol Rovers.
BRISTOL C.	110 v. Clapton O.
CRYSTAL PALACE	105 v. Gillingham.
NEWPORT	100 v. Aldershot.
SOUTHEND	110 v. Swindon.
TORQUAY	200 v. Notts Co.
THIRD DIVISION (North)	
BARROW	95 v. Rotherham.
GATESHEAD	120 v. Lincoln.
HARTLEPOOL	120 v. Crewe.
HULL	115 v. New Brighton.
SOUTHPORT	80 v. Mansfield.
STOCKPORT	25 v. Port Vale.
TRANMERE	45 v. Hallifax.
WREXHAM	50 v. Oldham.
CUP TIE	
BOLTON	175 v. Norwich.
EVERTON	60 v. Wednesday.
ARSENAL	160 v. Manchester U.
Luton	220 v. SUNDERLAND.
SWANSEA	200 v. York.
Coventry	80 v. CHESTER.
EXETER	170 v. Leicester.
PRESTON	60 v. Stoke.
MANCHESTER C.	20 v. Acoarlington.
Millwall	— v. CHELSEA.
BURNLEY	25 v. Bury.
WOLVES	65 v. Sheffield U.
TOTTENHAM	195 v. Plymouth.
DERBY CO.	115 v. Brentford.
SCOTTISH CUP-TIE	
Queen of South	v. BANGERS.
FORFAR	v. East Fife.
DUNFERMLINE	v. Arbroath.
AIRDRIE	v. Dundee U.
Babcock and Wilcox	v. Inverness Cal.
LARBERT A.	v. Solway Star.
LEITH	v. Albion Rovers.
Raith Rovers	v. ST. JOHNSTONE.
Ayr	v. PARTICK.
Alloa	v. HIBERNIAN.

Irish Rugby Football Trial

The absence of several international players from the Combined Universities v. The Rest match gave the Irish selectors an opportunity of trying out some younger players, but in most cases the aspirants did nothing to suggest that they are likely to go any farther. The game played at Lansdowne Road was won with the last kick of the match by The Rest by two goals and two tries (18 points) to five tries (15 points).

Of the three cross-channel players included in the Rest three-quarter line, M. J. Daly, of Old Haberdashers, did best. He showed speed, and with a better service might have made good. A. Darley and J. O'B. Power were both triers in the centre, but the former's defence was made to look almost negligible, and Power, though tackling well, had not sufficient speed.

The best back on the side was G. Crumey, who only came in at the last minute. One liked the manner in which he anticipated and went into G. J. Morgan's passes at full speed and the cleverness with which he changed his tactics. F. G. Morgan was a success on the right wing. D. J. Langan was satisfactory enough at back without inspiring a great deal of confidence.

FASTER FORWARDS

The University forwards, though not quite so successful in the scrums, were faster and much better opportunists in the loose. J. Russell played as well as ever, and others who must have strengthened their claims to a further trial were T. Clements, T. C. Boland, and J. Irwin. Ryan, Moran, Crumey, and Reddy got tries for the winners. Langan twice converting, and Clements (2), Martin, O'Connor, and Russell crossed for the losers.

The teams were:—
Rest of Ireland.—D. J. Langan (Garryowen), back; F. G. Moran (Clontarf), A. Darley (United Services), J. O'B. Power (Bedford), and M. J. Daly (Old Haberdashers), three-quarter back; G. Crumey (Queen's University), and G. J. Morgan (Clontarf), half-backs; R. Alexander (North of Ireland), B. J. Deering (Bective Rangers), C. R. Graves (Wanderers), N. F. McGrath (Oxford University), C. J. Reidy (London Irish)—E. Ryan (Dolphin), C. O'N. Wallis (Wanderers), and P. J. Lawler (Bective Rangers), forwards.

Combined Universities.—E. Toner (U.C.D.), back; J. O'Connor (U.C.C.), R. J. McKibbin (Queen's University), B. O'Brien (U.C.C.), and J. C. Martin (Dublin University), three-quarter back; F. J. Horan (U.C.C.) and J. A. Esler (Queen's University), half-backs;

LOCAL YACHTING

Sweepstake Races.
Results

The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's sweepstake races sailed yesterday afternoon resulted as follows:—

"H" Class—Started 14.40	
	Corrected Pos.
Rolla, H3	18.24.06 3
(Major W. H. Postle).	
Aerial, H7	18.14.56 1
(Mr. C. Ross).	
Dorothea, H9	18.17.44 2
(Lt.-Col. S. D. Reid).	
"Mixed" Classes—Started 14.45	
	Corrected Pos.
Carpenter, A1	18.35.01 1
(Miss P. M. King).	
Lobo, A2	18.38.51 4
(Mr. E. H. B. Neill).	
Isobel, A7	18.38.15 3
(Major B. E. C. Dixon).	
Joss, A8	18.40.25 5
(Mr. K. J. G. Garner-Smith).	
Silurus, Y7	18.38.10 2
(Capt. J. D. Newman).	
Gael, G1	18.41.43 6
(Capt. E. M. Denning).	

The 3rd Corinthian series race which was not completed on December 19 will be resailed on Saturday next.

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Function Of A University

Speaking on the function of a university at Liverpool University on January 12, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor J. L. Stocks, said that detachment was a fundamental condition of all vigorous and effective university life.

The university stood for freedom of thought in the fullest sense. A university must be a space from which, as far as possible, all else was excluded but the activities of thought which were directed to knowing and understanding the world. Thus, in the social economy, educational institutions generally and the universities in particular represented a kind of artificial vacuum.

Teachers and students stood socially in a privileged position. They enjoyed a dispensation from the common task; theirs was an endowed leisure. This dispensation and endowment was justified if they delivered the fruits of intellectual freedom for which they existed.

The spirit of detachment was necessary because it was a condition of freedom. The universities

must not make themselves the tools of practical men; they must not seek to govern, for that was to accept subservience to circumstance, but they must not lose touch. They must not watch things go wrong without stirring a finger; their virtue must not be a virtue unexercised and unbreathed, which never sallied out to seek its adversary where the immortal garment was to be run for, not without dust and heat. Hence they must not avoid topical and controversial issues. They must take the greatest care to tackle these from the right angle and in the right way, so that it was clear to all who took the trouble to think that they were taking the matter back to the fundamentals on which the stability of society depended. Speaking without fear or favour, they must not be elves, not parrots, not earthworms, but free citizens of a free country, capable of maintaining a just perspective and a correct sense of values and of contributing by independent judgment to the development of the community to which they belonged.

UNDESIRABLE ALIENS

Lisbon, Jan. 28.
Portugal intends to take the most stringent measures against undesirable aliens, according to an announcement made by the Portuguese Foreign Office.

Passports of all foreigners visiting the country will be subjected to the strictest examination, and those persons whom the authorities deem undesirable will be deported, it being understood that such deportations have already begun.

Transocean News Service.

WHAMPOA CHIEF IN CANTON

Hankow, Jan. 28.
General Chen Cheng, chief of staff of the Whampoa military headquarters in Canton and Vice-Minister of War, arrived here yesterday and conferred with Lieut. General Lo Cho-ying, G. O. C. Nanking troops in Kwangtung, concerning the situation in the South-West and Kwangsi.

General Lo will return to Canton to-morrow and will continue his garrison duties in the northern borders.

Union News.

TRAINING GALLOPS

The following times were recorded at the Valley training gallops yesterday:—

	Dis- tance	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	Last
Home Brew (A)	1	42	1.19	1.48	2.15	2.7	33.3
Weedon Seat (S)	1	46	1.25	2.02	2.35.3		33.3
Tim (G) & Whalsey (S)	1	39	1.18	1.51	2.26	2.59.3	33.3
Llanarmon & Llangollen (A)	1	43	1.20.3	1.55.3	2.30	3.02	32
Strathcarrick (A)	1	42	1.20	1.57	2.30	2.59	29
Saltire (A)	1	38.3	1.15	1.49.1	2.17		27.4
Expansion Time & Rob Roy (G)	1	37.4	1.12.2	1.45.3	2.17.1		31.3
Rodrum & Bravado (A)	1	34.4	1.05.3	1.36.1	2.08.1		30
National Joy (S)	1	42	1.25	2.05	2.40.3		35.3
National Unity (A)	1	34	1.09.2	1.47.1	2.22.3		35.2
Katinka (A)	1	34.1	1.04.4	1.34.2	2.02.2		28
Noggin (A)	1	54	1.40	2.23.2	3.04	3.36.3	32.3
Vira (G)	1	38	1.13.2	1.48.2	2.18.4		30.2
King's Coronation (G)	1	37	1.13.3	1.48.2	2.22	2.52.4	30.4
Declasse & Feltar (S)	1	41.3	1.20.3	1.56.1	2.29.4		33.3
National Glory (G)	1	37.3	1.12.2	1.47	2.21.1		34.1
National Anthem (S)	1	38	1.10.2	1.44.4	2.22		37.1
National Wisdom (S)	1	33	1.08.2	1.47.1			38.4
Rootify (A)	1	35	1.07.2	1.39.2	2.11	2.42.2	31.2
Potenat (G)	1	38.3	1.11.3	1.46	2.18.2		32.2
Feudal Knight (S)	1	35.3	1.10.3	1.43.3	2.17.2		33.4
Yum Sing & Hefephant (S)	1	45	1.22.4	1.56.1	2.28	3.02.4	34.4
A Great Time (A)	1	39.1	1.15.2	1.52.3	2.26	2.54.3	28.3
Boronia Belle (A)	1	38.4	1.13.2	1.46	2.14		28
Rosalind (A)	1	40	1.14.4	1.48.2	2.16.2		28
Chun Teen (S)	1	48	1.28	2.06	2.41.2	3.13	31.3
King's Highway (G)	1	34.1	1.10.2	1.45.1	2.19	2.51.2	32.2
Petroushka (A)	1	42	1.21	1.53	2.21		28
Lovely Star (G)	1	40.4					
Laughing Cavalier & Apilas (G)	1	38.4	1.18.4	1.51.2	2.23.1		31.4
Good Morning & Happy Venture (G)	1	38	1.14.3	1.46.2	2.17.4		31.2
Prospero & Araxy (S)	1	36	1.11	1.52.2	2.24.3		31.1
Kum Sang (G)	1	35	1.13.2	1.46.4	2.22.4		34
Aramis (S)	1	40	1.08.3	1.42.3			33
Gordito & Election Day (S)	1	41	1.18.2	1.55.4	2.28.2		32.3
Heidorado & Rose Lafayette (A)	1	42.3	1.17	1.48.1	2.18.1		30
Mac's Adventure & The Baboon (S)	1	38.2	1.12.4	1.46.3	2.19.1		32.3
The Right Time (A)	1	34	1.07.3	1.38	2.07.2		29.2
Montrose (G)	1	42	1.18	1.51.1	2.24.3		33.2
Medieval Knight (A)	1	35	1.08	1.37.4	2.09.2		31.3
March Brown (S)	1	38	1.15	1.51.2	2.27	3.02.3	35.3
China Clipper & Adam (S)	1	44.4	1.24.1	2.00.1	2.35.1		35
Lozill (A)	1	41	1.16	1.47.2	2.18	2.46.2	28.2
Branchholme (A)	1	32.3	1.05.2	1.37	2.07.4		30.4
Firefly (G)	1	33.2	1.06.3	1.40.3			33.4
Standard Time & Bouldnor (S)	1	41.4	1.18	1.52.2	2.25.3		33.1
Ascot & Dragon Fly (S)	1	50	1.29.3	2.02.3	2.36		33.2
Successful Time, Rondo & Mariposa (S)	1	38.3	1.11.4	1.44.3			32.4
Shipmaster & Lancashire Tich (S)	1	42	1.20.1	1.55.2	2.26.4		31.2
Clownier (S)	1	42	1.23.3	2.00.3	2.35	3.07	32
Lancashire Chips (A)	1	31.2	1.01.3	1.31.4	2.00.3		28.4

RECORD STAMP YEAR

BRITISH EMPIRE ISSUES

Collectors And A Boycott

Not since stamps were first issued in 1846, has there been such widespread interest as in the year which has just ended. The cause of this was the complete change of design in British stamps, with its indication that a new era had been inaugurated.

The total number of stamps issued by the post offices of the world amount to 1,380, a very considerable drop from the 2,168 of last year. But the number would have been much higher had it not been for the spirited action of the great English dealers, who warned certain South American States that certain threatened issues to increase their air arm at philatelists' expense, would be boycotted.

Welcome though this drop is to every serious collector, there were still far too many issued with an excuse only as a reason for printing them, and no adequate cause. Dictatorships seem to be especially addicted to this form of propaganda.

GERMANY'S MANY SETS

Russia began it; Italy soon took it up, and this year the worst sinner has been Germany. They have issued sets for their air company, and their motor jubilee; for the Olympic Games, and for a horse race; for an international welfare congress, and a recreation congress, and their latest set is to obtain funds for their winter relief. The one good point about their sets is that they are few and low in value.

With such a riot of issues it is a pleasant change to turn to the stamps of the Empire, which form a group all on their own. Financially they remain the best investment, for they never seem to lapse from favour anywhere in the world. There is always a sanity in their design, a sound reason for their issue, and a suave excellence about their production.

CEYLON'S NEW ISSUE

On January 1 Ceylon completed a new issue with the 6, 8, 20, and 50 cents, each one of which bore a fine medallion portrait of King George V. with a vignette of native scenery to complete the design. Just a month later Nigeria issued a very similar set, and on March 1 it was the turn of St. Lucia, with its highest value the least satisfactory design.

April saw the appearance of the new Bermuda set, striking in design and faultless in execution. But there was one curious mistake. On the twopenny stamp appeared a six-metre yacht which was meant to be their famous yacht. The Viking, but by some inexplicable error actually proved to be the United States yacht, Lucie, whose intentions were so much better than her performance.

HOLLAND AND ERASMUS

"Let us now praise famous men," has long been the motto of the world's postal authorities; 1936 has proved no exception to the rule. Ecuador has issued a very fine set to commemorate Darwin's visit to the Galapagos Islands in 1836, and his portrait, together with his ship, The Beagle, appear on the 20 cent. value. France has not been backward in philatelic honour to her great dead. The list includes Ampere, the scientist, Daudet, and Rouget de Lisle, the author of "The Marseillaise," while Holland included Erasmus, among their charity set.

Possibly the most famous stamp of the year was issued by the Argentine. On the 1 peso value the map thereon showed that they included the Falkland Islands as part of their domain. Questions in Parliament followed, but common sense prevailed, and it was realised that what the stamp averred was not in accord with the facts of the case, and therefore the less said about it the better.

The outstanding financial incident of the year has been the continued rise in the prices of the Empire Jubilee issues, while the meteoric rise in the price of the wrongly coloured 2d. is almost phenomenal.

WORLD ARMAMENT EXPENDITURE

German Estimate Of £2,900,000,000

BIGGER THAN 1914

The huge growth in armaments expenditure during recent years is the subject of a report issued by the German Institute for Business Research. This reveals that last year more than three times as much was spent by the world on its fighting forces and on munitions as in 1914.

The figures are:
1913, £83,000,000.
1928-9, £1,250,000,000.
1936, £2,500,000,000 to £2,900,000,000.

Pre-War Conditions
Another comparison with pre-war conditions is provided by the fact that in 1913 the outlay of armaments accounted for 4 per cent. of the world's net industrial production. In 1936 the figure was at least 11 per cent.

Soviet Russia and Japan are shown to be the countries whose armaments outlay has expanded most in the last eight years. Between 1928 and 1936 Japan's expenditure rose by 100 per cent., while that of Soviet Russia increased 16 times.

The increase in Britain was 39 per cent. in the United States 38 per cent. and in France 56 per cent. It is significant that no figures are given for Germany. The report merely states that, taking France as a comparison, Germany would have had an additional armaments expenditure of £1,550,000,000 between 1920 and 1934 if it had not been for the restrictions imposed on her by the Treaty of Versailles.

RELIEF FUNDS

Washington, Jan. 28.
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\$1,870	H.K. Banks	\$1,875
\$118	Do. (London)	\$114
...	Chartered Banks	\$231
...	Mercantile Bks. "A"	\$231
...	Do. "C"	...	...	...	\$214
...	Bank of East Asia	...	...	...	\$84
...	N. O. & S. Banks	...	...	...	\$84
...	Insurance	...	...	...	\$304
\$300	Canton Insurance	...	...	...	\$304
\$420	Union Insurance	...	...	...	\$304
...	Underwriters	...	...	...	\$70
...	H.K. Fire	...	...	...	\$301
...	International Assoc. S.	...	...	...	...
...	Shipping	...	...	...	...
...	Douglas	...	...	...	\$30
...	Steamboats	...	...	...	\$7
...	Indos (pref.)	...	...	...	\$35
...	Do. (def.)	...	...	...	\$38
...	Shells	...	...	...	\$107 1/2
...	Waterboats	...	...	...	\$101
...	Mining	...	...	...	...
...	Kailans	...	...	...	\$18
...	Indos	...	...	...	\$12.90
...	Venezuela Gold Flds.	...	...	...	\$8
...	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	...	\$109
...	Providents (old)	...	...	...	\$1.65
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	\$10
...	H.K. & W. Docks	...	...	...	\$16
...	Shanghai Docks S.	...	...	...	\$80
...	New Engineering S.	...	...	...	\$4
...	Lands, Hotels, and Buildings	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Hotels	...	...	...	\$6.65
...	H.K. Lands	...	...	...	\$131
...	Do. 4% Debentures	...	...	...	\$102
...	Shanghai Lands	...	...	...	\$116
...	Metropolitan Lands	...	...	...	\$10
...	H.K. Estates	...	...	...	\$44
...	China Do.	...	...	...	\$80
...	Do. Debentures	...	...	...	\$82
...	Hampshire	...	...	...	\$76
...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	...
...	Cotton Mills	...	...	...	...
...	Ewos	...	...	...	\$15.60
...	S'hai Cottons (old)	...	...	...	\$35
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	\$35
...	Zong Sing	...	...	...	\$31
...	Wing On Textiles (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Public Utilities	...	...	...	\$12.75
...	Park Trams (old)	...	...	...	\$5
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	\$5
...	Star Ferries	...	...	...	\$93
...	Yamui Ferries	...	...	...	\$13.85
...	China Lights (old)	...	...	...	\$10.60
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	\$10.60
...	H.K. Electric	...	...	...	\$10
...	Macao do	...	...	...	\$10.60
...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...	\$11.10
...	Telephones (old)	...	...	...	\$11.10
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	\$11.10
...	China Buses	...	...	...	\$11.10
...	Traction	...	...	...	\$11.10
...	Do. (pref.)	...	...	...	\$11.10
...	Industrial	...	...	...	...
...	Caldbeck, (ord.) S.	...	...	...	\$11.10
...	Macgregor (pref.) S.	...	...	...	\$11.10
...	Canton Ice	...	...	...	\$11.10
...	Cement	...	...	...	\$11.10
...	Ropes	...	...	...	\$11.10
...	Miscellaneous
...	Dairy Farms	\$12.1
...	Ch. Kaimonta	\$12.1
...	Constructions (old)	\$12.1
...	Do. (new)	\$12.1
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...	Wallace Harper	\$12.1
...	H.K. Wing On	\$12.1
...	Shal Do	\$12.1
...	Vibro Piling	\$12.1

*Sales to Shanghai

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From Jan. 26, to February 3, 1937.

Days of Week	Date	High Water	Low Water
Thurs	28	11:23	4:48
Fri	29	11:40	5:00
Sat	30	12:10	5:10
Sun	31	12:45	5:20
Mon	1	13:15	5:30
Tues	2	13:45	5:40
Wed	3	14:15	5:50

CRUDE STEEL

Berlin, Jan. 26.
The general improvement experienced in most branches of the German industry gave further impetus to German production of crude steel during 1936, it is revealed in the official statistics now published.

The total production amounted to 19.18 million tons as against 18.45 million tons in the previous year. The outstanding part was played by the Rhenish-West-Phalan area, this being evidenced by the fact that of the total amount turned out, 13.35 million tons were from this area.

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HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER

Hong Kong Observatory, Jan. 27.

Barometer	Temperature	Humidity	Wind	Direction	Force	Weather
30.15	77	64	E	E	4	BC
30.15	77	64	E	E	4	BC
30.15	77	64	E	E	4	BC
30.15	77	64	E	E	4	BC
30.15	77	64	E	E	4	BC
30.15	77	64	E	E	4	BC
30.15	77	64	E	E	4	BC
30.15	77	64	E	E	4	BC
30.15	77	64	E	E	4	BC
30.15	77	64	E	E	4	BC

REICHSBANK RETURNS

Berlin, Jan. 26.
The Reichsbank returns dated January 23, shows that gold stocks remain unchanged at 68.9 but that foreign currency reserve has increased to 5.7, making the increase in the total note cover to 72.6 million Reichsmarks.

Note circulation declined to 1,378.8 millions Reichsmarks while the amount of credit issued, as measured by bills, cheques, advances and investments decreased to 5,011.0 million Reichsmarks.

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H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE AND H. K. SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION Philippine Gold Mining Quotations

25th Jan.	B.	S.	26th Jan.	B.	S.	27th Jan.	B.	S.	28th Jan.	B.	S.
Antamoks	1.75	1.70	1.75	1.75	1.70	1.75	1.75	1.70	1.75	1.75	1.70
Atoks	55	53	55	55	53	55	55	53	55	55	53
Baguio Gold	35	33 1/2	34 1/2	35	33 1/2	34 1/2	35	33 1/2	34 1/2	35	33 1/2
Benguet Consol	13 1/2	13 1/2	14	13 1/2	13 1/2	14	13 1/2	13 1/2	14	13 1/2	13 1/2
Benguet Explor	20 1/2	21	21 1/2	20 1/2	21	21 1/2	20 1/2	21	21 1/2	20 1/2	21
Big Wedge	39	39	39 1/2	39	39	39 1/2	39	39	39 1/2	39	39
Coco Grove	89	88	89	89	88	89	89	88	89	89	88
Consol Mines	0.47	0.46	0.47	0.47	0.46	0.47	0.47	0.46	0.47	0.47	0.46
Demonstrations	99	1.00	—	99	1.00	—	99	1.00	—	99	1.00
G. Goldfields	37	36 1/2	37	37	36 1/2	37	37	36 1/2	37	37	36 1/2
Itogons	1.80	1.76	1.80	1.80	1.76	1.80	1.80	1.76	1.80	1.80	1.76
I. X. L.	1.80	1.75	1.80	1.80	1.75	1.80	1.80	1.75	1.80	1.80	1.75
Masbates	57	56	57	57	56	57	57	56	57	57	56
Min. Resources	42 1/2	42 1/2	43	42 1/2	42 1/2	43	42 1/2	42 1/2	43	42 1/2	42 1/2
Northern Mining	20	20 1/2	21	20	20 1/2	21	20	20 1/2	21	20	20 1/2
Paracale Guma	88	87	89	88	87	89	88	87	89	88	87
San Mauricio	3.50	3.30	—	3.50	3.30	—	3.50	3.30	—	3.50	3.30
Suyoc Consol	53	53	54	53	53	54	53	53	54	53	53
United Paracale	1.40	1.40	—	1.40	1.40	—	1.40	1.40	—	1.40	1.40
E. Mindanao	42 1/2	42	42 1/2	42 1/2	42	42 1/2	42 1/2	42	42 1/2	42 1/2	42

H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE

YESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

Business was of moderate proportions and confined principally to utility shares. Prices generally have not shown much variation, but several stocks notably China Lights, Whampoa Docks, H.K. & S. Hotels and H.K. Lands closed with a firmer undertone.

The Mining section was on the whole steady.

BUYERS

Hong Kong Banks, \$1,870.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), £116.
Canton Inces., \$310.
Union Inces., \$620.
H.K. Wharves, \$107.
H.K. Docks, \$14.80.
H.K. Lands, \$34.
China Lights (Old), \$13.95.
China Lights (New), \$10.80.
H.K. Electric, \$55.
Telephones (Old), \$28.
Telephones (New), \$10.30.
Cements, \$10.80.

SELLERS

Dairy Farms, \$22.
S'hai Cottons (Old), Sh. 385.
S'hai Cottons (New), Sh. 380.
Wing On Textiles Sh. 44.
Govt. 3% Loan, 8% Prem.
E. Mindanao, 69 cts.
Govt. 3 1/2% Loan, 3% Prem.

SALES

H.K. Wharves, \$107.
H.K. Docks, \$15-15.10.
H.K. Hotels, \$5.80.
H.K. Trams, \$12.
Peak Trams (Old), \$4.
China Lights (Old), \$13.95-14.
H.K. Electric, \$55.
Dairy Farms, \$22.
Ewo Cottons, Sh. \$15.70.
Big Wedge, 68-69 cts.
Demonstrations, \$1.85-1.63.
E. Mindanao, 70-71 cts.

HONG KONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

BUYERS

H.K. Docks, \$15.
Hotels, \$5.75.
Lands, \$34.
Land Debentures, \$103.
Trams, \$12.65.
Lights (Old), \$13.90.
Electric, \$55.
Telephones (Old), \$28.80.
Cements, \$10.90.
Beng. Expl., 31 cts.
Consol. Mines, 079 cts.
E. Mindanao, 70 cts.

SELLERS

Banks, \$1,875.
H.K. Docks, \$15.10-20.
Lights (Old), \$13.95-90.
Big Wedge, 68-6 cts.
Consol. Mines, 079 cts.
E. Mindanao, 70-70 1/2 cts.
Tinago, 47 cts.

RAW MATERIALS COMMITTEE

Geneva, Jan. 26.
A public session of the League of Nations Council approved the creation of a Raw Materials Committee which will hunt new sources of supply for "starved" nations.

REUTERS

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

(British Wireless Service)

	Jan. 25.	Jan. 26.
Paris	105-9/64	105-9/64
Geneva	21.47	21.46 1/2
Berlin	12.20	12.19 1/2
Athens	93-3/16	93-3/16
Milan	—	—
Copenhagen	—	—
Stockholm	—	—
Shanghai	1/2-17/32	4.90-7/16
New York	4.90-9/16	8.95 1/2
Amsterdam	8.95 1/2	8.95 1/2
Vienna	—	—
Prague	140-9/16	140 1/2
Madrid	—	—
Lisbon	—	—
Hong Kong	—	—
Bombay	—	—
Montreal	—	—
Brussels	4.90 1/2	4.90 1/2
Yokohama	29.11 1/2	29.10 1/2
Belgrade	1/1-31/32	—
Monte Video	—	—
Bucharest	—	—
Silver (forward)	20-7/16	20-7/16
Silver (spot)	20-5/16	20 1/2
War Loan	3 1/4 104 1/2	3 1/4 104 1/2

Closing Quotations

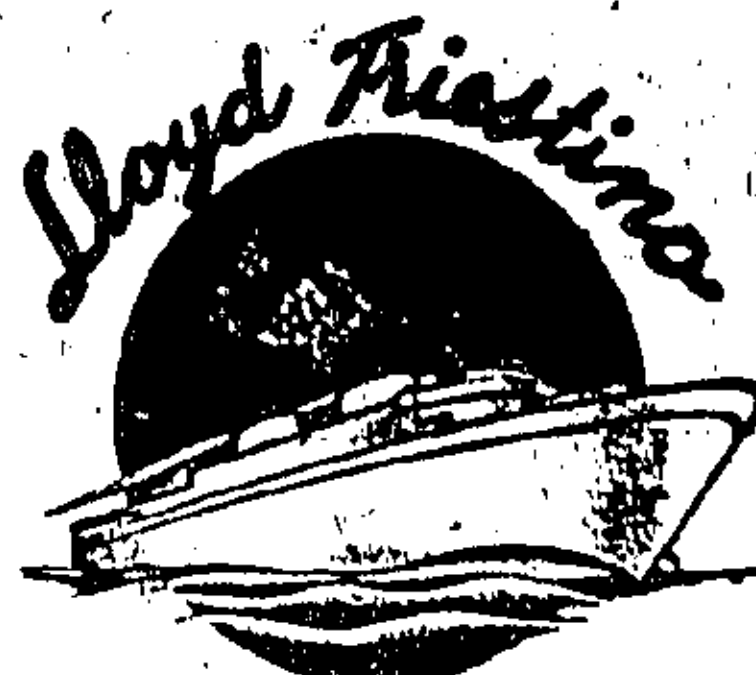
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Telegraphic Transfer... 1 1/2	Bank Bills, on demand 20 7/16
Bank Bills, on demand 29 3/32	Credits, 60 days' sight 30 13/16
Credit four months' sight 1/3 3/32	On demand... 6 1/2
On Shanghai:	On demand... 6 1/2
On demand... 10 1/2	On demand... 6 1/2
On Singapore:	On demand... 6 1/2
On demand... 5 1/2	On demand... 6 1/2
On Japan:	On demand... 6 1/2
On demand... 10 1/2	On demand... 6 1/2
On India:	On demand... 6 1/2
Telegraphic Transfer... 8 1/2	On demand... 6 1/2
Bank, on demand... 8 1/2	On demand... 6 1/2

PHILIPPINE MINING NEWS

The prospecting and development programme of the Batong-Buhay Gold Mines, Inc., is well launched, and results so far have been encouraging, according to a report made last week by Earle W. Barry, superintendent.

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M.S. "TJINEGARA" 3rd Feb. 10 a.m.

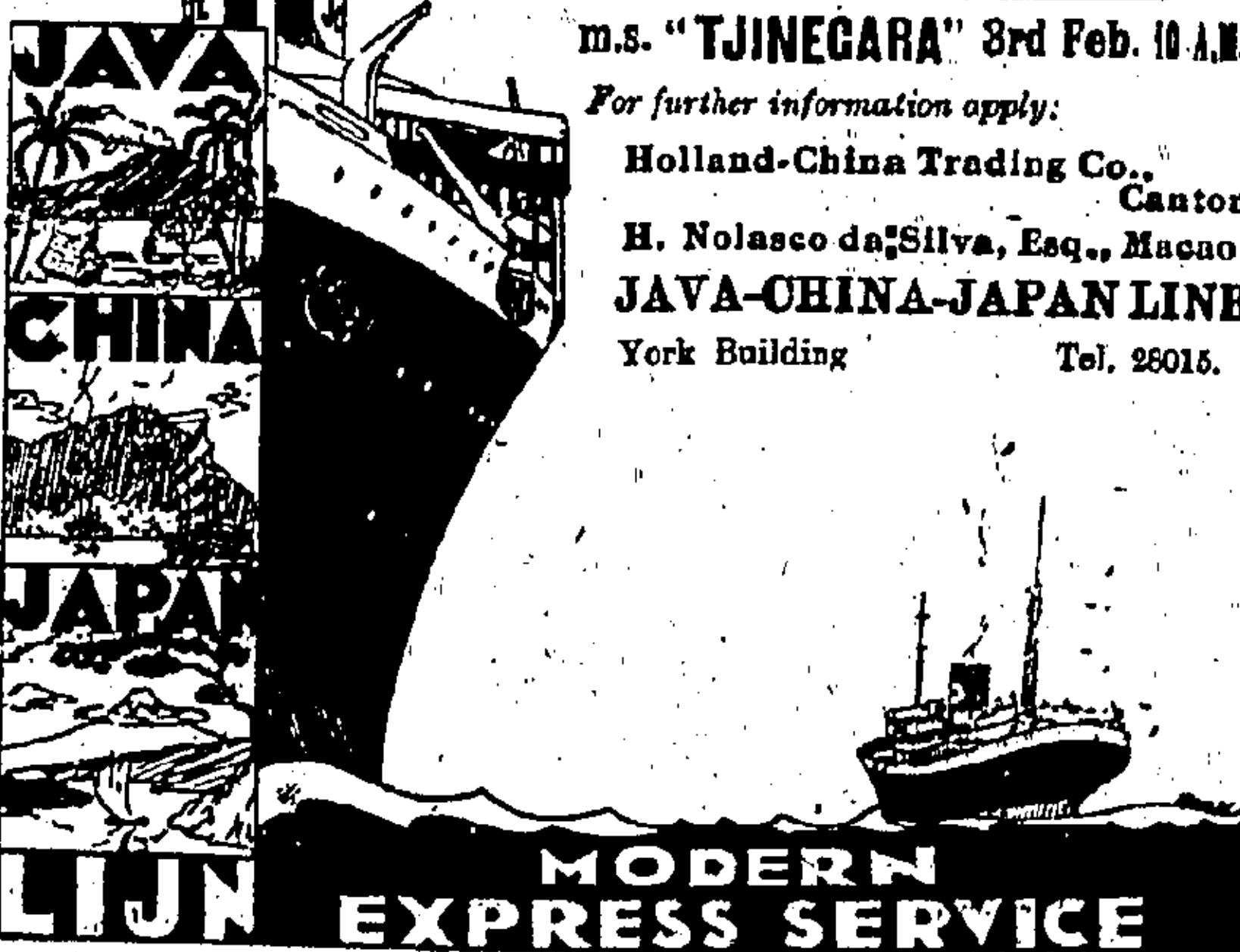
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"Near The Top Of The Wave"

Lord Harwood, who was elected president of the York County Savings Bank at York on January 12, said that we were very near to the top of a wave of good trade, and whether it lasted or not we had to face the fact that trade went up and down in waves. We were apt to attribute our last depression to a comparatively few months of bad finance by the Government of the country, but he was not sure that this was altogether fair. It might have been a contributory factor, and more skillful management of our national affairs would have mitigated the evils from which we suffered, but he did not think any

Government would have been able to save us. Looking to the future, he thought we must assume that we could not live permanently on the upgrade, and must experience periods when trade suffered, if not from depression, at any rate from flatness, when industrial concerns would not be able to continue to earn such high rates of interest. The existence of savings banks would be justified very largely by the fact that it was necessary for the country to enable small investors to weather the storm. The extreme solidity of the foundations on which our savings bank were laid, and the fact that we were

THE EXCHANGE MARKET

MESSRS. ROZA BROS.

Hong Kong, Jan. 27.
Ready silver was unchanged yesterday but the Forward price rose 1/16, the quotations being 20 7/16 and 20 3/8 respectively. Silver advices reported India as having bought. China sold. The market closed steady. After the official fixing there were buyers at the fixed rate and sellers at 1/16 over American Silver was quoted at 44 3/4 for Spot.
The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 4.90 3/8. New York-London was quoted at 4.90 13/32.

MARKET

Steady but inactive.

STERLING

There were sellers at 1/2 31/32 January-June, buyers at 1/3 for any delivery.

U.S. DOLLARS

Sellers at 30 9/16 January-June, buyers at 30 5/8 January-June. No business was reported.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Sellers at 102 1/2, buyers at 102 9/16 for cash.

SHANGHAI MARKET

There were sellers of Sterling at 1/2 19/32, buyers at 1/2 5/8 for cash. U.S. Dollars, sellers at 29 13/16, buyers at 29 7/8 for cash.

SHARE MARKET TONE MORE FRIENDLY

Berlin, Jan. 28.

Although the business transacted in the share market to-day was not great, the general tone was more friendly, chiefly because of the very favourable echo in the world press on the publication of the Italian and German notes on the Spanish situation.

Dealers bought more freely in anticipation of the stimulated interest by investors once the German Government declaration was published. The stocks put on the market by foreign holders, because of the rise in quotations abroad for blocked marks, were readily absorbed. The rise in the prices amounting to as much as one per cent.

German fixed interest securities were again firm, available stocks being shorter than for the last few days. Gold mortgage bonds and communal bonds were particularly firm, rises of 1/2 to 1 being noticed in many of these. Foreign bonds were also firmer. Austrian State Loan, 1914, rising to 214, and Mexican Irrigation Loan to 710.

Call Money was quoted at 23. Young Loan was unchanged at 1023. Reichsbank rose to 188. Salzederfurth Potash was 4 firmer at 1784. United Steel Works advanced by 1 to 119. German Mineral Oils were 1 better at 1474. Siemenshalske rose to 203 and Benberg Rayon, unquoted on Monday, changed hands at 1094.

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DR. SANDLER TO VISIT ENGLAND

Stockholm, Jan. 28.

The Swedish Foreign Minister, Dr. Sandler, will visit England in March at the invitation of the British Government. Informed political circles here understand that the main object of the visit, which is in the nature of a return visit to that of the British Foreign Minister in the autumn of 1934, will be to discuss economic and political questions.

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able to secure ourselves from any doubt about that solidity, was going to be a most important asset in preventing nervousness or want of confidence in the financial security of the savings of the multitude.

"In future bad times come upon us," he said, "it is not going to be the great capitalists who are going to increase the depression from which we may suffer, but a state of nervousness among small investors, who may think their own stockings safer than the savings bank."

The bank's chief actuary, Mr. W. Louis Lawton, spoke of the increasing use of banks for the accumulation of savings for particular, or early use, and said that as an alternative to hire purchase or an instalment system this formed a valuable corrective to hasty or unconsidered expenditure.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

(Through Reuter's Service)

QUOTATIONS

New York, January 27.

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York/London Cross-rate	4.90 1/32	4.90 1/32	4.90 1/32	0.00
New York Cotton—Mar.	12.68	12.49	12.49	.09 up
New York Rubber—Mar.	21.70	21.38	21.15	.25 up
Chicago Wheat—May	1.894	1.884	1.884	0.00
Chicago Corn—May	1.10	1.094	1.094	0.00
Silver—Official	—	—	44 1/4	unchanged

	1936	Jan. 25	High	Low	Close	Change
Dow Jones Average	187.80	143.11	188.63	186.68	187.64	2.43 off
30 Industrials	60.48	40.66	55.25	54.98	54.00	1.03 off
30 Rails	37.78	28.23	38.48	36.53	35.84	.60 off
40 Bonds	108.01	98.92	103.21	—	104.70	.51 off
11 Commodity Index	81.67	65.58	77.34	—	77.03	.31 off

Business Done: -2,170,000 shares.

Stocks Jan 25 26

Adams Express 18 174

Allis Chalmers 812 784

Amer. Can 1122 1122

Amer. Car & Foundry 334 334

Amer. Cyanamid 334 334

Amer. & For. Power 124 112

Amer. & For. 65 64

Amer. Locomotive 504 49

Amer. Metals 60 594

Amer. Radiator 28 274

Amer. Rolling Mill 34 338

Amer. Smelting 84 91

Amer. Steel F'dries 694 672

Amer. Sugar 54 534

Amer. Tel. & Tel. 1844 1834

Amer. Tobacco "B" 99 99

Amer. Waterworks 262 262

Anaconda Copper 534 523

Atchafalpa T. & S. Fe. 74 724

Atlantic Refining 342 34

Atlas Corp. 178 174

Auburn Motors 314 304

Baldwin Locomotive 90 92

Baltimore & Ohio 224 214

Barnsdall Oil 334 324

Bendix Aviation 764 764

Bethlehem Steel 354 344

Boeing Airplane 27 262

Borden Co. 564 544

Briggs Manufacturing 50 50

Brooklyn-Manhattan 1014 1024

Case, J.I. 154 154

Canadian Pacific 154 154

Celanese Corp. of America 304 294

Cerro de Pasco 684 674

Certain-Tied Products 194 184

Chesapeake Corp. 89 884

Chesapeake & Ohio 664 654

Chrysler Corp. 121 119

Columbia Gas & El. 184 174

Columbia 6% "A" pf. 1044 1044

Commercial Credit 674 664

Commercial Solvents 194 184

Commonwealth & S. 34 34

Cum. pf. 694 70

Consolidated Edison 474 464

Consolidated Oil 104 16

Continental Oil 444 44

Corn. Products 604 68

Curtiss Wright (C.) 74 74

Curtiss Wright "A" 22 214

Delaware & Hudson 504 484

Del. Lackawanna & Western 1214 1184

Distillers Corp. Sea-grams 264 254

Douglas Aircraft 764 754

Du Pont 174 172

Electric Boat 134 134

Elec. Bond & Share 25 244

Elec. Bond & Share 764 76

Elec. Bond & Share 864 854

Elec. Power & Light 224 224

Elec. Power & Light 344 344

Firestone Tire & R. 424 42

Flinckote 374 37

Gen. Asphalt 514 514

Gen. Cigar 62 604

Gen. Electric 43 424

Gen. Foods 664 654

Gen. Motors 612 61

Gen. Railway Signal 214 214

Gillette Safety Razor 154 154

Gold Dust 324 32

Goodrich (B.F.) 81 81

Goodrich 54 pf. 324 324

Goodyear 324 324

ex. div. Bid

Great Northern Ry. 424 414

Great Western Sugar 37 354

Holly Sugar Corp. 86 84

Humble Oil 634 624

Int. Tel. & Tel. 124 124

Int. Dept. Stores 314 30

Kennecott Copper 584 584

Lambert Corp. 204 204

Loew's Inc. 734 71

Lorillard 234 234

McIntyre Porcupine 464 464

McKesson & Robbins 974 954

Monsanto Chemical 564 534

Montgomery Ward 184 184

Murray Corp. 34 33

Nat. Cash Register 234 234

Nat. Dairy Products 284 28

Nat. Distillers 134 124

Nat. Power & Light 414 404

New York Central 164 164

Niagara Hudson P. Corp. 314 31

North American 274 274

Northern Pacific 37 354

Pacific Gas & Elec. 514 504

Packard Motors 11 11

Paramount 264 27

Pennsylvania R.R. 42 404

Phelps Dodge 524 514

Phillips Petroleum 52 514

Public Service of N.J. 69 674

Pullman Inc. 224 224

Pure Oil 114 114

Radio Corp. of Am. 354 354

Republic Steel 564 564

Reynolds Tobac. "B" 434 424

St. Joseph Lead Co. 97 974

Schenley 844 834

Schenley 54 pf. 174 174

Sears Roebuck 304 304

Shell Union Oil 474 464

Socony-Vacuum 274 284

Southern Cal Edison 494 484

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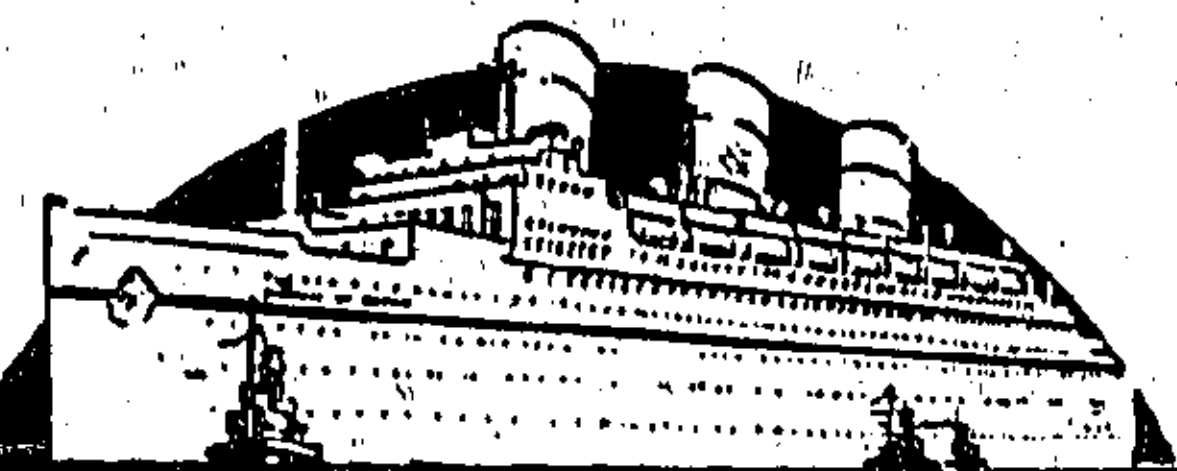
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NAGARA MARU ... Monday, 16th Feb.

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TERUKUNI MARU ... Friday, 28th Jan.
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HARUNA MARU ... Saturday, 27th Feb.

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TATSUTA MARU ... Sunday, 31st Jan.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.
MAYERASHI MARU ... Thursday, 28th Jan.
CALCUTTA MARU ... Saturday, 30th Jan.

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TSUSHIMA MARU ... Thursday, 4th Feb.
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Daily Statement, Clearances,
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MORE MERCANTILE VESSELS

Lloyd's Register shipbuilding returns for the last quarter of 1936 show that in United Kingdom yards 963,642 tons of mercantile shipping were under construction at the end of the year. This figure does not include certain contracts placed in December, which bring the total to 1,000,000 tons.

The official total of 963,642 tons exceeds by 220,558 tons, or 30 per cent, the tonnage which was building a year ago, and is the highest quarterly total recorded since September, 1930. It also exceeds considerably the aggregate tonnage now under construction in the four leading countries abroad.

A satisfactory feature of the returns is the amount of new work—272,546 tons—begun during the last three months, to take the place of the 280,397 tons launched in the same period.

WORLD TONNAGE

Of the world's total of 2,251,221 tons now in hand, British yards contribute 42.8 per cent. Production in the leading foreign countries is as follows:

	Tons
Germany	408,465
Japan	203,146
Holland	150,850
Sweden	123,798
United States	110,358

During the quarter under review 469,558 tons were begun abroad and 404,089 tons launched, showing, compared with the preceding quarter, an increase of 74,882 and 100,243 tons respectively.

Of the merchant shipbuilding in hand throughout the world at the end of December, 1,398,204, or more than 62 per cent, are being built under the inspection of Lloyd's Register.

VESSELS DUE

(Continued from Page 14)

Peiping, Gilman's, Feb. 6.
Potdam, Melchers, January 28.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., February 5.
Saila, Melchers, Feb. 6.
Santhia, B.I. (Apar), February 10.
Sarpedon, B. & S., February 2.
Seistan, Douglas, January 31.
Shirala, B.I. (Apar), February 11.
Sirdhana, B.I. (Apar), Jan. 25.
Soudan, P. & O., February 13.
Sutnant, Melchers, Feb. 6.
Tai Yang, Dodwell's, February 15.
Tanda, E. & A. S.S. Co., February 3.
Tarifa, Thoresen's, February 10.
Tatara, Maru, N.Y.K., January 30.
Teucer, B. & S., Feb. 3.
Tilawa, B.I. (Apar), February 12.
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 28.
Tjinegra, J.C.J. Line, February 1.
Tjinalak, J.C.J. Line, February 4.
Trianon, Thoresen's, February 9.
Tweedbank, Bank Line, January 31.
Tweedbank, B. & S., January 28.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, February 1.

NEWS FROM THE WATERFRONT

Freight And Asiatic Passengers Returns

(BY LONGSHOREMAN).

The freight returns, received from the Harbour Office during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, showed a very high tonnage movement, a large proportion being made up by British and Japanese ships.

The total tonnage of general cargo carried by vessels to the Colony was 8,448 tons, with British steamers carrying 1,560 tons. Through cargo for ports beyond the Colony amounted to 41,009 tons, of which 13,452 tons were carried by British steamers.

Asiatic deck passengers entering the Colony during the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were 1,128, of which 483 were from British steamers.

There were altogether twenty arrivals, of which eight were of British registry, the remainder being of other nationalities, while of the 13 departures, six were British ships. Particulars as follows:

Nationality	Ships	Tonnage
British	8	15,012
French	1	1,333
Norwegian	1	6,156
Portuguese	1	300
Japanese	5	19,844
Chinese	4	6,812
Total	20	49,457

CLEARANCES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27.

Hal Heng for Swatow

Sui Yang for Swatow

Tsinan for Amoy

Halidor for Singapore

Lushan Maru for Foochow

Nachisan Maru for Moji

An Lee for Swatow

Mulnam for Singapore

Menestheus for Singapore

Michael Jebson for Swatow

Van Heutz for Swatow

Ninghai for Swatow

Yendai Maru for Port Wallut

Hal Ching for Holbow

Bontekoe for Bangkok

Yuen Sang for Singapore

Hin Sang for Sandakan

Anyo Maru for Kobe

Kalle Moller for Canton

G.G. Paul Doumer for K. C. Wan

Roseville for San Francisco

Hal Yang for Swatow

Pyrrhus for Shanghai

ARRIVALS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27.

Kalle Moller, British steamer, 1,892 tons, Capt. W. F. Learmouth, from Chin Wang Tao, cargo: coal, lying at Lai Chi Kok—Dodwell & Co.

Canton, French steamer, 976 tons, Captain G. Charlot, from Haiphong, general cargo, berthing at buoy No. B5—M. M. & Co.

Hal Yang, British steamer, 1,431 tons, Captain W. G. Erwin, from Swatow, general cargo, berthing at Douglas Wharf—Douglas & Co.

Hal Heng, Chinese steamer, 2,065 tons, Captain C. C. Ma, from Canton, China Merchant Steam Navigation's Wharf—C. M. S. N. & Co.

Newchwang, British steamer, 1,480 tons, Captain L. V. Rowe, from Tientsin via Swatow, general cargo, buoy No. B1—B. & S.

Sui Yang, British steamer, 1,594 tons, Captain F. Gibbs, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B21—B. & S.

Tsinan, British steamer, 2,100 tons, Captain S. M. Barling, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B20—B. & S.

Lushan Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,507 tons, Captain T. Ibuchi, from Canton, buoy No. C1—N. Y. K.

Hong Kong Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,559 tons, Captain H. Sato, from Swatow, general cargo, Osaka Shosen Kaisha's Wharf—O. S. K.

Hop Sang, British steamer, 1,350 tons, Captain D. S. Fethick, from Tientsin via Swatow, general cargo, buoy No. B2—J. M. & Co.

An Lee, Chinese steamer, 992 tons, Captain K. Makimo, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B18—Yee Tai Hong.

Hang Sang, British steamer, 1,358 tons, Captain T. Wilkinson, from Canton, Talkoo Dock—J. M. & Co.

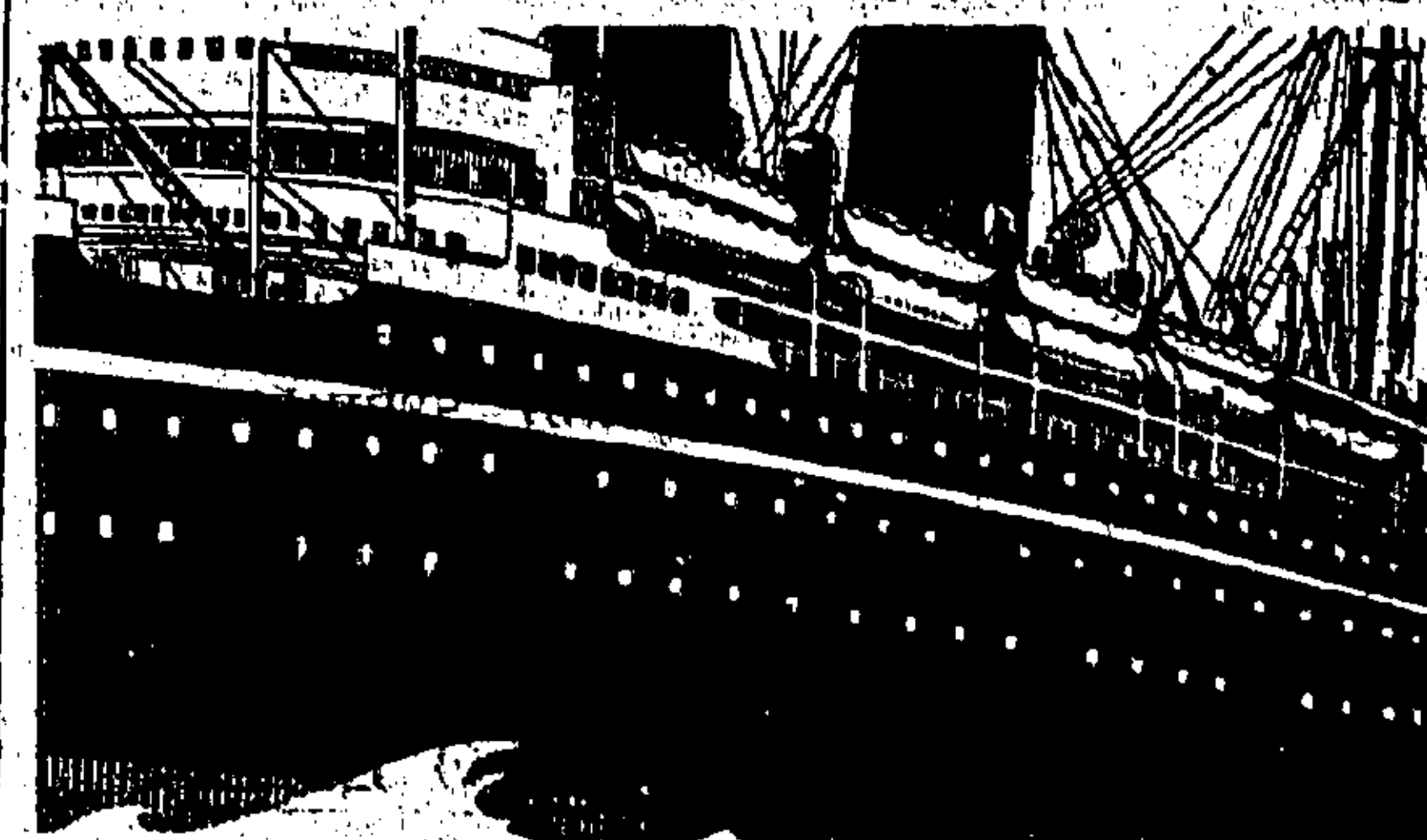
TUESDAY, JANUARY 26.

Pyrrhus, British steamer, 4,695 tons, Captain E. W. Berry, from Swansea via Singapore, general cargo, Hol's Wharf—B. & S.

Kao Sing, Chinese steamer, 3,198 tons, Captain N. Nakashima, from Fremantle via Manila, general cargo, Kowloon Wharf—Wallem & Co.

Van Heutz, Dutch steamer, 2,749 tons, Captain D. J. Huljer, from Singapore, general cargo, berthing at Kowloon Wharf—J. C. J. Line.

Nachisan Maru, Japanese steamer, 2,839 tons, Capt. K. Sugahara, from Singapore, general cargo, berthing at buoy No. A3—M. B. K.



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CORFU	14,500	20th Feb.	Marseilles & London
*BHUTAN	6,000	27th Feb.	Mars, Havre, London, H'bg.
NALDERA	18,000	6th Mar.	R'dam, A'werp, & Hull
*BEHAR	6,000	13th Mar.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
CARTHAGE	14,500	20th Mar.	Mars, Havre, London, Hamburg
*SOUDAN	7,000	27th Mar.	R'dam, Antwerp, & Hull
RANCHI	17,000	3rd April	Mars, Havre, London, H'bg.
CATHAY	18,000	17th April	R'dam, A'werp, & Hull
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TILAWA	10,000	4th Feb.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
CARTHAGE	14,500	5th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan
SANTHA	8,000	18th Feb.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
NALDERA	18,000	18th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan
*SOUDAN	7,000	18th Feb.	do
TALMA	10,000	4th Mar.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
RANCHI	17,000	5th Mar.	Shanghai & Japan
NANKIN	7,000	7th Mar.	do
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